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Tax Rate Is Set At \$57 Per Thousand

Wilmington's tax rate for 1954 will be \$57 per thousand dollar valuation. This was announced by the Board of Assessors this morning, after confirming figures had been received from the state Department of Taxation and Cooperations.

The 1954 figures represents an increase of \$11 over the 1953 figure. It is based on a valuation of \$11,723,850. Last years was \$10,268,876.

In figures released at the same time that the tax rate was released it was apparent that the higher budget voted by the town, at the annual town meeting in March, coupled with a valuation of property which was not as high as had been expected were conducive to the increase in the tax rate. Town officials had expected, earlier in the year that there would be a \$12,000,000 valuation this year.

In the town meeting this year the highest budget ever voted by the town left money to be raised by taxation at \$673,000, compared with \$477,000 in 1953, an increase of \$196,000. To partly offset this, from the figures of increased valuation, the sum of \$85,000 may be deducted, leaving a net increase, in effect, of \$110,000.

Represented in the increased spending this year, in tax dollars are such approximate figures as: Increase in school appropriation \$5; increase in maturing debts \$5; increases in salaries \$5; and miscellaneous increases in costs \$4, a total of \$19. To offset this a figure of \$8 represents the increase in valuations, and the difference is the increase in the tax rate - \$11.

T.M. Courtney and the Board of Assessors are expected to issue a joint detailed statement sometime this week.

SWIMMING CLASSES START JUNE 21

Swimming classes, at Silver Lake beach, from kindergarten age to the fifth, grade will start on June 21st, at the Silver Lake beach. Applicants are supposed to enroll with the Chief Life Guard, Eddie Forrest, at the beach. Forrest is at the beach afternoons and evenings.

Plans are being made for Junior and Senior Life Saving Classes, under Red Cross rules, and the classes are to be conducted by Eddie Forrest.

FIRE CRACKER TRICK INJURES BOY

Paul Sowden, 9 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sell, of Oakwood road, Silver Lake, escaped serious injury, at 11:30 a.m., but had to be taken to St. John's hospital for treatment for lacerations to head and body, after three Lake street boys had thrown firecrackers under a pony which the Sowden boys was driving.

Young Sowden was driving his pony wagon, when the three boys, age 17, 14 and 15 threw the firecrackers beneath the pony. The boys sped off in an automobile, with bystanders able to recall only three numbers of the license plate. The boy was thrown out of his cart, when the pony bolted. The shafts, for the cart, snapped, and the cart landed on the boy's head and shoulders, while the pony bolted for his stall, in the Sell estate.

Officers Arthur Kelley, and Thomas Troy, responding to the call along with the Fire Department ambulance with Firemen Dewhurst and Nee, found the boy with the cart over his body. It was feared that fractures had resulted, and Drs. Gerald Fagan and Morris Kelman ordered the boy to St. John's hospital, in Lowell.

Kelley and Troy spent the rest of Saturday searching for the boys who had thrown the firecrackers. With only a slight clew of partial numbers not known to be correct, they were able to "pin down" the automobile involved.

Next morning, Sunday, while Troy was making a routine drive around town, he noticed a black sedan, with numbers similar to those reported. He returned to the station and with Officer Kelley in company went to the home where the car was parked. After several hours of questioning the boys admitted their complicity to the two officers.

DAV AUXILIARY WHIST

The ladies of the DAV Auxiliary will have a whist party Saturday June 19th at the DAV headquarters 60 Grove avenue, at 8 p.m. There will be a penny sale in conjunction with the party. Refreshments are to be served, and a general invitation has been extended to the public.

DAV TO MEET TONIGHT

The William F. Tattersall chapter of the Disabled American Veterans will meet tonight, at 8, at the headquarters on Grove avenue. Dues are now due, and can be paid at this time.

FOR SALE

For Sale - Old Centaur Garden Tractor. Two Cyl., 17 h.p. with riding sulky, cultivator attachment, plow, Drag Harrow and hauling cart. Lot \$100. Terrific buy for someone mechanically inclined. F. E. Whitmarsh, Doris ave., North Billerica, Tel. Bil. 8497.

LIONS TO RECEIVE CHARTER SATURDAY

Wilmington Lions Club will receive its Charter Saturday night, June 19th, in one of the most spectacular programs ever conceived by that organization. For the first time in 36 years three clubs, Wilmington, Winchester and Burlington will all receive their charters in the same evening, all from one sponsor.

The fete has been recognized by the Lions International, in Chicago, and they have delegated the International First Vice President, Monroe L. Nute to be present, and to take part in the ceremonies.

Special Representative A. C. Urbanati, Norwich, Connecticut, who has worked as the organizational representative for the past six months will also be present, and will take part in the chartered program.

Vice President Nute was elected to that office in Chicago, in 1953, and was a Director of the Lions International from 1947 to 1949, and served as Third Vice President, and Second Vice President, before being elected to his present honor. He is flying to Boston, from Chicago, and will be met in the Hub City by State and local officials. Nute comes from the Kennet Square, Pennsylvania Lions Club, where he served as Vice President, President and Tail Twister, and later became a Deputy District Governor and District Governor. In addition to his Lions Club activities he is also active in the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He is an automobile dealer, farmer, and a well known breeder of Aberdeen Angus cattle.

The Charter Presentation will be made in the Woburn High School Auditorium, and the evening will consist of a catered dinner, presentation of charters, installing of new officers, entertaining and dancing. Frank P. DiPanfilo, President of the Woburn Lions Club, is general chairman of the affair.

The newly elected presidents of the three clubs are: Wilmington, Arthur Boudreau; Burlington, Walter Marvin; and Winchester, Frank Hopkins.

WATER TEST TAKEN AT CAMP FORTY ACRES

Water tests were taken Monday morning, according to the latest information, at Camp Forty Acres, in North Wilmington, the site of the summer Day Camp for boys, which is scheduled to open on June 21st. The Board of Health of Wilmington had been forced, last Thursday evening to turn down an application for the camp, because the State Department of Health would not take water tests under conditions prevailing at the camp.

Wilmington Board of Health officials have promised that they will do everything possible to facilitate the tests, and it is hoped that the camp will be ready to open on schedule.

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SUMMER PLAY PROGRAMS START JUNE 28

Summer programs, for the Wilmington Recreation Commission will start on June 28th, Monday through Friday.

In the high school area from 9 a.m. to noon will be for boys and girls, age 5 to 9, and the afternoons will be for girls only, age 10 through 15. The program will include Crafts, Picnics, Dramatics, Nature Study, Dancing, Music, Games, etc.

On Wilmington Common the Boys Recreation League will meet Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and will include boys of 13, 14 and 15. In the afternoon there will be a program for boys 10 to 15 inclusive, from the hours of 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The program will include Baseball, Softball, Volleyball, Badminton, Quoits, etc.

At the Mildred Rogers School area, the program will run Monday through Friday, with boys and girls, age 5 to 9 having the morning hours, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. In the afternoons there will be a program for all ages, in supervised play, in conjunction with the beach program.

The morning program will be the same as that offered in the high school area.

There will also be a "water spray" program, at the high school, in the afternoons.

LLA MEETS TOMORROW

The ladies of the Little League Auxiliary will meet tomorrow evening, immediately after the Little League games, with the meeting scheduled for the Roman House. Included in the business of the evening will be "Scotch Tape Returns".

MIDDLESEX ESSEX POMONA GRANGE

The Middlesex-Essex Pomona Grange will meet at Wilmington Grange Hall on Saturday June 26th, at 4 p.m. A baked ham supper is to be served at 6:30 p.m. Reservations must be in by Saturday June 19th, for the supper, and may be had by calling Mrs. Jeanette Rocco, OL 8-4414.

Entertainment will be provided for the evening session. Grangers are expected to be present from many of the towns and cities in both Middlesex and Essex Counties. Ernest Stephens, of the Woburn Grange, Master of the Middlesex Essex Pomona Grange will preside.

Members of the Wilmington Grange have been asked to donate articles for a penny sale, which will be held the same evening.

NOVELTY CARD PARTY TONIGHT

The Wilmington Grange will have a novelty card party, tonight, at the Grange Hall. The party will begin at 8 p.m., and prizes and refreshments will be served. The public is invited. Members of the Wilmington Grange are asked to donate some of the prizes.

LARCENY OF BLANK CARTRIDGES

The Poorvu Construction Company, contractors at the new Wildwood school have reported to the Wilmington police that 30 or 40 blank 22 caliber cartridges have been stolen from the job. The cartridges are used in a "Rams Head" gun, used for driving bolts into concrete.

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BOYS REPORTED TO HAVE ADMITTED LARCENIES

Three teen age boys, from the Silver Lake district are reported by the Wilmington police as having admitted breaking into three or four different places, in the Silver Lake, with some of the breaks being during the night time. They have been arraigned, in Juvenile session, before Judge William A. Henchey, of the Woburn court.

SPECIAL GRANGE MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY

There is to be a special meeting of the Wilmington Grange next Wednesday, June 23rd, at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the annual fair, planned for this September.

After the special meeting there will be a novelty card party, and members are asked to donate prizes. Refreshments will be served, and the public is invited.

Anyone who has articles finished for the fair will be able to turn them in, at the next Wednesday meeting.

GRANGE PLANS MYSTERY RIDE

Wilmington Grange is planning a Mystery Ride, Wednesday July 14th. Reservations must be in by the 12th of July, and may be made by calling OL 8-4414.

THE AIR RAID ALERT IN WILMINGTON

The Air Raid Alert in Wilmington passed without incident. Wilmington police were in various parts of the town, and reported no incidents. In other places citizens were observed to be going about their normal business.

STOLEN BICYCLE

Francis Walsh, 66 Middlesex avenue, has reported to the Wilmington police that a Hanover bicycle, (a German make) has been stolen. The bicycle is red and cream in color, and has the serial number 055874.

FINED FOR SPEEDING

Albert Collins, Gray street, Billerica was fined \$5 on a charge of speeding, and \$20 for driving to endanger, in Woburn Court, on June 15th by Judge William Henchey. Collins had been arrested by Officer Troy of the Wilmington police.

ED NICHOLS GETS DEGREE

Edward M. Nichols 2nd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nichols of Middlesex avenue was granted a Bachelor of Science degree, when he graduated from Springfield College, on Sunday, June 13th. Nichols, a veteran of the United States Marine Corps has served with that corps twice, the second time being during the Korean War, and then resumed his education.

STORY HOUR TO CONTINUE AT LIBRARY

The Story Hour, for tots, at the Wilmington Public Library, popular feature on Tuesday mornings, will be continued for another two weeks at least, before the summer recess. The story hour is between the hours of 10 and 11 a.m. Mrs. Barbara Dayton of Burlington avenue will be the story teller during the next two weeks, on June 22nd and June 29th.

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THE SIZE OF HOUSE LOTS

We think that the Wilmington Planning Board threw a curve ball, when they proposed that the size of house lots be increased to half an acre. Their intentions were good, but the ball didn't land where they intended that it should.

We are now restricted to building on lots of not less than 10,000 square feet. Such size, in our belief, is too small in many instances. We have seen homes thus located, in which every building had an automatic washing machine, and the result in spring-time was not pleasant. Water accumulated faster than it could be drawn off by drainage, and instead of a nice back yard these homes had miniature lakes—not very pleasant ones, either.

Obviously there must be more space in house lots. At the same time we don't want to hurt people who are trying to build, and increasing a house lot to half an acre would do this.

We feel that a house lot should be 100 by 150 feet, or thereabouts. We feel that a minimum of 15,000 square feet is very sensible, and would go along for that.

We don't feel that in this minimum there should be any regulations that would impose a 150 foot frontage, on the streets, for new homes. We would give the person who lays out the lots the option of making the frontage according to his best judgement. At the same time, we would not subscribe to any frontage of less than 100 feet.

In other words, make the law such that 15,000 feet shall be the minimum, and no lot will have less than 100 feet on the street-line.

Such would have several advantages, in addition to the greater space. Hydrants, for instance, for instance, placed 1000 feet apart. If 150 feet is required for frontage, the hydrants will end up in someone's front lawn. If the lots are 100 feet, the hydrants could be so placed that they would be located on lot lines, and thus be both handy and yet out of the way.

Again, by having the law with a little flexibility, a developer or home builder would be able to take advantage of circumstances, rather than be licked by them. He could, for instance, build on a lot that is 125 by 125. Suppose a nice piece of land were available, but that it would be impossible for some reason or other to locate streets 300 feet apart. By locating them 250 feet apart, and putting in 125 foot square lots, the problems could be solved, and each lot would have more than the required 15,000 square feet.

The decision, of course, will be up to the people of Wilmington, in Town Meeting assembled. The Town Meeting is called for June 28th. There will have to be a quorum, and two thirds of those people will have to vote for whatever motion is offered, in order to make it law. If the people feel that the proposal for 22,500 feet is proper they will vote for it. If on the other hand, they feel that 15,000 is the proper size this can be substituted by an amendment. However, it will not be carried, if the people do not want it.

In other words, this boils down to a case of the individual voter. If enough people think that 22,500 feet is the proper size, that will be voted. If enough think it is too large,—well there you will also have your answer.

Above all, we feel that there must be enough people there to make a quorum. We feel, most emphatically, that the size of house lots should be increased. We hope we are not alone, in this sentiment.

BUSINESS ZONES

While accusing the Planning Board of throwing a curve ball, in the preceding comments, let us also pay credit for a discovery which should have been noticed years ago. During the discussions between Courtney and the Planning Board it was found that a developer could buy land in a zone that is labeled "business", and build any way he desired. No laws for residences apply to this type zone.

Perhaps there are no developers who would take advantage of this, but it is conceivable that someone would grab the opportunity and build homes say, 75 feet apart.

Such building would become a blot on the town. If for no other reason, it is important that the voters of Wilmington attend the June 28th meeting, and vote as the Planning Board proposes, in this respect. This, again, is something that is up to the individual voter. It is his responsibility!

THE FIGHT BEHIND THE FIGHT AND OTHER SUBJECTS

Some of our townspeople know that there was a lot of under the table fighting, during the interim period before our new Town Manager was chosen. Mr. Courtney, the successful candidate was very strongly supported by people who were not on the Board of Selectmen, and, we believe, entirely without his knowledge. This paper supported Mr. Walters because of his outstanding ability, and on the premise that we would rather vote for the devil we know than the one we didn't to use a phrase that one of our beloved clergymen has often used.

What the majority of the people don't know is the illegal acts and dirty play that took place, on the part of some people in this fight.

A telephone call, very reminiscent of one of several years ago, threatened the wife of one of the Selectmen, and at the same time another Selectman. Mrs. Charles H. Black was told that if her husband should vote for Walters "We will get you. We see you driving around town a lot, and it will be easy to arrange something." Not only that, but after Courtney had been elected there was an apology, involving a third selectman, one that indicated that this selectman had not voted according to his conscience.

In addition to the above facts there were a lot of rumors. A rumor isn't worth much, and we don't believe in paying attention to them, especially as these rumors attempted to involve a person who we will call a "big shot", saying that there were to be pay-offs, in the form of jobs for relatives of this man. Mr. "Big Shot" in our estimation had always acted in an honorable manner, and we couldn't imagine him stooping that low.

These rumors, however, mentioned certain positions in the town, quite specifically. One of the positions was in the Town Hall, with the implied promise that Courtney would fire an individual, and substitute a relative. All the rumors seemed to name a certain person as being "Mr. Fixer", a person who was not on the Board of Selectmen.

At the time when the "Moslems" made their infamous at-

tempt to "envelope" the Board of Selectmen this same person was in the midst of the fray. Rumors, too, have placed this person and Mr. Courtney as having some sort of close relationship, through office connections, and there were various implications that always go with this style of rumor, to none of which we paid much attention.

One fact stands out crystal clear, in the belief of this paper, and that is that Mr. Courtney knew nothing of these rumors. His position was clear and above board. We don't know if he knows all the story today, as far as that goes, in fact we doubt very much that he does.

This fact is borne out by Courtney's actions, since becoming Town Manager. He had made no move to facilitate the "pay-offs" that were apparently promised, in fact he has worked in the opposite direction, knowingly or unknowingly.

Now, for the latest chapter in this story of rumors and facts. For some weeks we have been told that a certain person was attempting to start a newspaper in Wilmington. We have nothing against this—in fact the more the merrier. According to our information one of the "Moslems" is behind this move. If he thinks he can make money with a newspaper he is welcome to it. Knowing some of the problems involved we think he will just lose money, but that is his lookout.

In connection with this one of the persons whose job was threatened by the rumored "pay-offs" was offered a position in the staff of the newspaper, a position which this individual refused.

Now the question has arisen in some minds—Could it be that, finding that Courtney would not play ball with the "pay-offs"—could it be that this is an attempt to pull some of the people out of the positions they hold, on the promise of a better job elsewhere? If these people should resign, then it is possible that Courtney might make the appointments desired. We don't know if this thought is what is behind the latest move. We have just been asked the question, and we are repeating it.

4-H WORKERS, ETC.

Middlesex County 4-H workers have been riven by a fight, during the past few weeks in which various accusations have been made. We are not in a position to judge the stories, although some of them have come our way. Neither have we been in a position to print many of them, for reasons beyond our control.

The reasons are simple enough, and not only the people in this particular argument, but many of our fellow townspeople could profit by knowing of them.

We are a weekly publication. We have to set the type before we can print the story. We have enough machinery to do this, but not all in a 12 hour period. Our work must be so spaced that the machinery and workers are kept busy. We cannot let them sit idle for five days, and then rush like mad for two. Such is not good economics.

We have set a deadline of 5 p.m. Tuesday, for news items and other material intended for our paper. Anything received after this deadline is rarely printed, because we just do not have the physical ability to do so.

Most of the material in this "fight" has arrived at our office on Wednesday mornings. It is too late for the paper being published, and at the same time it is old news, by the time that the next issue rolls around. The consequence is that it is not printed.

The same situation is involved for people in Wilmington. Sometime late Tuesday night they suddenly realize that they haven't told the Crusader about an item that they consider tremendously important. The result is a hasty telephone call, and sometimes we can get the news in. Generally we are unable to do so, even though we do practically stand on our heads, in the effort.

The moral, of course, is if someone wants a story in the Crusader he should get it to us early. Monday morning is not too late, but Tuesday evening most certainly is.

Until the 4-H news gets to us on a different date we will be unable to print it. We are sorry, but that is the way it runs.

At the same time let us take cognizance of a rumor which we have run into—one that affects local 4-H workers. This dirty story would have people believe that the local 4-H workers are paid for their work, and that the pay is good, too.

Such is not the facts. Wilmington's 4-H workers, like the majority of the Middlesex 4-H workers are absolutely unpaid. They work as volunteers and should receive more credit for their efforts than a dirty "stab in the back" type of story.

IN AND OUT OF THE TOWN HALL

An out of town paper, last week, got a few people excited by saying that various towns were to receive money from the state—they made a front page story out of it. This had been known for a long time, and was nothing to get excited about. People who had an idea that this would reduce the tax rate were just jumping at conclusions, because it had already been computed in what is known as the "Cherry Sheet." The sum Wilmington received was \$44,150, all of which came from Income Tax, and Corporation Tax money.

Last week this paper reported that \$303 would be needed for the Veteran's Services, in the special town meeting of June 28th. We should have said \$3030.

The tax rate will be announced in a few days, perhaps before this issue of the Crusader hits the streets, Wednesday evening. When it is announced it will probably be \$57. The state would like to have it a little higher—they want more money in what is called the "overlay account", which is money to be set aside to take care of abatements in taxes, for instance the abatements given to disabled veterans, and to other cases where assessments on homes were too high.

The \$57 tax rate makes a big joke of the slogan that was printed on the maps of Wilmington last year. In case you have forgotten, the slogan read, "WILMINGTON'S TAX RATE REDUCED TEN DOLLARS DUE TO FINE NEW INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM."

Incidentally, there will be approximately \$1500 asked for, to pay additional bills of 1953, still turning up, when we meet on June 28th. About \$800 is for the work on Woburn street, last year, and we don't know what the rest is for, at the moment. TM Joe Courtney is having quite a time with unpaid bills, some of which are coming back with this year's date on them. The boiler in the Junior High School will have to be paid for this year, although the work was incurred last year—somewhere about \$3000, and bills of this type are playing hob with his school maintenance account.

E. ALFRED SWENSON RECEIVES DEGREE

E. Alfred Swenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Swenson, Adams street, completed his four years of college, and was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree on Sunday, June 6th. He received his degree from the University of Massachusetts, with the class of 1954.

His sister Christine spent the week end at Amherst, attending the formals, the play, and other graduation festivities, and Alfred's parents, accompanied by Ruth and Pamela attended the graduation.

ALEC QUANDT HOME FOR A WEEK

Staff Sgt. Alexander E. Quandt, USAF, of 22 Pershing street, North Wilmington is paying a week's vis-

it to his family, after arriving home on an unexpected furlough. Sgt. Quandt is regularly assigned to the Biggs Air Force Base, in Texas.

CONGREGATIONAL

The Wilmington Church Council will meet at the home of Mrs. Guy Nichols on Thursday at 8 p.m. The Budget Committee will meet in the vestry on Friday at 8 p.m. The Fireside Fellowship will hold a worship service in the vestry on Sunday at 9:15 a.m. before leaving for their annual outing at Wingersheek.

The members of the Masons and the Eastern Star will be guests at the morning service on Sunday at 11:00.

TOWN NOTES

THE GOLDEN PEA SPOON

Every year, about this time, we start getting reports on who has had the first garden peas, for the year in Wilmington. After we have had time to consider the names of all the claimants, and the time at which they picked their peas, we have a little fun by awarding a strictly mythical golden pea spoon to the first person to pick enough peas from his garden for a meal.

The award last year, for instance was to the Murray sisters, Mrs. Edith Symes and Mrs. Henry Sargent. We understand that these ladies are well in the running, for this year too, but as yet we have had no reports from them.

Our first report, this year, comes from Mrs. Harold Sennet, of 19 Liberty street, North Wilmington. Mrs. Sennet has a small backyard garden from which she has been getting some fine lettuce and broccoli. She planted her peas sometime in March, after having soaked the seed for two weeks, and she picked enough last Saturday, (June 12) for a meal for the family.

That's a pretty early date — is there anyone who can beat it?

PEN SET

TM Courtney is sporting a nice pen set on his desk — one with an onyx base, and two pen holders. It was given to him at the time of the "surprise" party (which he read about a week ahead of time, in the Medford Mercury), in early May. On the base is a small plaque "Joseph F. Courtney"

Town Manager
Wilmington, Mass.
May 1954

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

June 12, 1954.

Dear Sir:
In a letter received from my son Bob Goss, he states that he has been transferred to Johnson Air Base near Tokyo, Jap. He expects to leave for home in a month and asks you to discontinue sending him the paper. He wishes to convey his many thanks at this time to those who made it possible for him to receive the paper for his two years of duty in Japan.

Respectively yours,
Walter Goss

MAPLE MOTHERS CLUB TO TOUR WILLOWOOD SCHOOL

The Mother's Club, of the Maple Meadow School has been invited by School Superintendent Clifford A. Good to tour the new Willowood school on Thursday morning, June 17, at 10 a.m. Mr. Good will be on hand to show the ladies the new school, and its modern facilities. Club president Mrs. Paul MacDonald has asked that all mothers interested in participating in the tour meet at the Willowood school at 10 a.m.

NEW CHAMPION SKATER

Peter Jay Tighe, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Tighe of 45 Chestnut street was born in the Winchester hospital on June 6th. His mother, the former Janet Backman holds several records, in speed skating, Women's senior division, for North America. Peter is the second child in the Tighe family, his older brother being Dana Paul.

Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawson of Middlesex avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Backman of Chestnut street.

MAPLE MEADOW CLUB PICNIC

The Maple Meadow Mother's Club gave a picnic for 125 children at the Maple Meadow School on June 10th. The party was out of doors, and was attended by a large number of mothers, many of whom brought younger children with them, including those of the baby-carriage set. Two long tables were laden with platters of hot dogs, cakes, cookies, potato-chips and similar picnic fare. The food disappeared like magic, with some of the youngsters consuming as many as five hot dogs apiece, and a good time was had by all.

METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL PICNIC, SATURDAY, JUNE 19

The Annual Methodist Church School and Family picnic will be held on Saturday morning, June 19 at 9:45 a.m. Families will meet at the church at that time and leave for Dr. Richard Cameron's estate in Concord, Mass. An amount of twenty-five has been asked from each person to cover the expenses of the picnic.

Families will return to the community sometime during the middle of the afternoon.

HERE AND THERE

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Couples Club Plans

The Couples Club of the Congregational Church held their last business meeting until fall on Sunday June 6th. The program for the evening was under the direction of Harland Whittredge. Future plans of the Couples Club include a cook-out on June 26th, and an outing to Kingston NH in July, and a corn roast in August.

Recitals Popular

The recital given by the students of the Sundrest School of Creative Dramatics at Security Hall, in Reading June 4th was a tremendous success. The children acquitted themselves like real troopers and the audience, composed of parents and friends was impressed with the poise and ability of the youngsters, ranging in age from 6 to 17. Mrs. Kenneth Wilson was in charge of Dramatics and Mrs. E. Hayward Bliss provided the music for the program. The school will resume its activities in the fall.

Five Wilmington children were performers at a piano recital at Watersfield Hall, in Winchester, Wednesday night, June 9th. The youngsters, who are 10 to 15 years of age, were: Gloria Baldwin; Edward and Jean DeAngelis; Francis Kaszynski; and Sharon and Gregory Phillips. All are the pupils of Norman Keene of Winchester.

On Vacation

The Roy Hersoms left this weekend for their summer home in Rockport, where they will remain until Labor Day.

Has Measles

Maryann Bradley, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bradley of Andover street has the measles. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Children's Party

The Mother's Club of the Walker school gave a party for the children of all four grades at the Walker School the afternoon of June 8th. Games and relay races, followed by a treasure hunt, were enjoyed by all. Ice cream, cupcakes, cookies and soda pop were consumed by the gallon, and the party was adjudged a success by mothers and children alike.

Winners of the relay races were:

First Grade: Robert Corella, Douglas Dayton, James Duff, James Truitt, and Joyce Drew.

Second grade winners: Earl Boutwell, Carl Marcotti, Elliot Drew, Raymond Cashman and William Roberts.

Third grade winners: Paul Brabant, William Sullivan, William Cotter, Richard Brabant, and Franklin Sawin.

Fourth grade winners: Gail Tucci, Anne MacDougal, Dorothy Sanborne, Kevin Field, William Laurin and James McMullin.

Painting Party

The Robert McCabes of Woburn street, who are in the process of painting the outside of their house, were assisted by friends and relatives over the weekend, all of whom pitched in the welded paint brushes. A good time was had by all, including nine children who rode ponies while their parents painted.

Troop 136 Cook-out

Girl Scout Troop 136, under the leadership of Mrs. Edith Traill and Mrs. Evelyn Allgrove enjoyed a cookout at the McCabe home on Woburn street on Monday afternoon June 7th. The girls played games, rode horseback, and then cooked their dinner out of doors. The picnic was the windup of Troop 136 activities until the fall.

Those participating were: Nancy Budd, Lorraine Gurski, Elaine Richards, Eleanor Young, Judy Lee, Patty Traill, Barbara Traill, Patricia Rankin, Laurie McCabe and Elaine LaRivee.

P T A Board Meets

The Board of Directors of the PTA held a meeting at the Roman House Wednesday night June 9 to discuss plans for the fall. President Dorothy Lafionatis presided over the meeting. Programs for the coming year and the appointment of essential committees were discussed at length. The board plans to hold another executive meeting at the end of the month.

Representatives, whose duties are more or less liaison between the PTA and the individual schools in the Wilmington school system, were present. Mrs. Lafionatis explained their duties and the PTA principals to them.

PTA officers and representa-

tives are: President Mrs. Thomas Lafionatis, Vice President Mrs. Roy Hersom, Secretary Mrs. T. R. Kilkenny, Treasurer.

Mrs. William Widger.

Representatives are: High school, Mrs. Ruth Kitchener; Junior high school, Mrs. John Tobey; Buzzell school, Mrs. Frank Bishop; Center school, Mrs. Herbert Silverman; Whitefield school, Mrs. Hal Helwig; Maple Meadow school, Mrs. Ernest Farrell; M. H. Rogers school, Mrs. Anthony Micillizzi; West school, Mrs. Lorraine Manuel, and Teacher Representatives, Miss Elizabeth Huntley.

Chicken Barbecue

The CDA will sponsor a chicken barbecue dinner, on June 26th, on the parish grounds, for the benefit of the St. Thomas building fund. Dinner will be served at 5, 6, and 7 o'clock to accommodate the large number expected. Tickets, which must be obtained prior to June 24, can be bought for \$175 each from any of the following committee members: Mrs. May Quandt, OL 8-2442, Mrs. Dorothy Provenzano, OL 8-3257, or ticket chairman Mrs. May Welling, OL 8-2008.

Entertains Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sharp of Larson road are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Marion (Sharp) Clements, who arrived by plane from Naples, Italy, on May 30th at Maryland, and were met by her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clements were married at a Nuptial Mass October 2, 1953 at the Naval Chapel in Naples by the Rev. M. J. McInnis, Naval Chaplain. After a honeymoon on the beautiful Isle of Capri they resided at Vomero, Naples, Italy, for 8 months until her return to this country. The couple have visited St. Peters in Rome and many other historical cities in Italy and throughout Europe. Her husband, Ronald D. Clements, AE 2, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Clements of Fitz Terrace will join her shortly.

Returns from Germany

Master Sgt. Walter Schacht, and Mrs. Schacht, formerly of Wilmington, have returned to the United States after spending four years in Germany with the United States Army. Master Sgt. Schacht will be stationed at Camp Kilmer, N.J..

Returns from Hospital

Mrs. Melvin White, 620 Woburn street is home after a 6 week stay in the Groton hospital. Mrs. White was very badly injured, about two years ago, in an auto accident, and has been having a lot of difficulty, in getting around, since then.

Strawberry Festival

You are cordially invited by the Baldwin Club to have your desert and beverage at the annual Strawberry Festival of the Baldwin Civic Association which is to be held on Saturday evening, June 26th at its meeting rooms in the

Wilmington Skating Club, on Chestnut street from 6:30 pm. to 9 pm. Tickets for the gala affair are 50 cents for adults and 35 cents for children under 12, and may be obtained from Mrs. Millard Pipes OL 8-2071, or any member of the organization will be happy to see that you receive your ticket. Won't you please contact them right now?

Surprise Party

Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Adler of 34 Cottage street, and Brookline, were recently tendered a surprise party at their home, on the occasion of their 20th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Adler is the former Henrietta Hyman, whose family have vacationed in Wilmington for almost four decades. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Graczyk of 34 Grove avenue, Wilmington.

Mrs. ROLAND FULLER WILL

SUPERVISE ARTS PROGRAM

Mrs. Roland Fuller, Adams street, has been appointed to supervise the arts program, of the Wilmington Recreational Committee, this summer, both in Wilmington

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**RAMBLERS DEFEAT
ROCKPORT**

Wilmington's Pride and Joy, the Wilmington Ramblers, avenged their defeat of a few days ago, when the Rockport boys made them walk the long dusty trail home, by defeating Rockport 6 to 2, in a game played at the Town Memorial Park on June 11th.

Al Ethier, on the mound, pitched a good game for the Ramblers, and the hitting starts were DiPiano and Billy Busineau, DiPiano hitting two double baggers. For a change the Ramblers did some good fielding, which only goes to prove that they can, if they want to stop dreaming of fishing. Only one error was chalked up against the hometown heroes.

Rehinoles, Rockport leftfielder was their hitting star, with a triple and a single.

The win has put new life into the

Ramblers, who are now plotting a return with Rockport, on their home grounds, a return which is calculated to show the Rockport fans that the Ramblers are better players than they seemed to be last time they played in that ocean-breeze-swept town.

SALEM DEFEATS RAMBLERS
In Salem, on June 13th, the Ramblers (Dem Bums) again tasted the bitter cup of defeat, when St. Anne's won by a five to four score. It was a heart breaking loss for Billy Busineau who had pitched a wonderful game, striking out ten batters and allowing 6 hits, three of which were well placed bunts.

The winning run was a homer, by centerfield Audet of St. Anne's. The Ramblers were a little weak on their base running, and to this their loss has been ascribed.

In addition to doing a good job on the mound, Busineau showed that he meant business at the plate, hitting a single, a double and a triple.

**ANDOVER BRAVES DEFEAT
RAMBLERS**

The Andover Braves White-washed the Wilmington Ramblers (Dem Bums), on June 8th, with a six to nothing score, in a game played at Andover. Higgins, the Braves pitcher was a wonder, allowing only one hit, and striking out ten men. Lepore, playing shortstop, made the only hit for the Ramblers, who were really up against it, because of the graduation exercises at Wilmington high school, which took four of their men from the game.

Actually, it wouldn't have made any difference if the Ramblers had a full team of their regulars. For Higgins would probably have knocked the best of them away from the plate.

**RAMBLERS SCORE OVER
BRAVES**

In the return game, played at the Town Park on June 14th the Wilmington Ramblers (Wilmington's Pride and Joy) rode triumphantly over the Andover Braves, 5 to 2, and settled an old score. Ethier, on the mound, did a won-

derful job for the Ramblers, and Jimmy Tighe led the hitting with two hits, with Billy Busineau coming in with a timely double.

NOTES

Two of the Ramblers have ended their playing association with the team, although one of them will stay in managerial capacity. Dave Newhouse had to leave, when it developed that it was a case of work and eat, or play and don't eat. Dave chose the work. Leroy Ferguson (Fergie) found that the ball was getting too fast for him, and is now going to act as book-keeping agent, a capacity for which he is very well suited. Leroy has been working with the Boston Traveler for some time, in the Sports Department.

A new player, Jess Lyman has been signed up by the Ramblers, and there is to be a meeting shortly to consider a couple of other men for the team. Also due for discussion in the meeting is what to about Ramblers who forget to show up for practice, down at the Town Park.

Jimmy Fleming, who has been laid up with a cast on his ankle, had the cast removed this week, and should be seen soon, playing outfield. Jimmy is a boy who knows how to cover space effectively.

There will be no home games this week, but there will be plenty of practice, something that the Ramblers could stand a little more, according to some observers.

The Ramblers will play next week, in the Town Park, against the Salem Witches. The time is set for 6:15 pm on June 22nd.

THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING**Unpaid Bills - Lots of Talk**

The Selectmen's meeting, Monday night, had a lot of discussion about unpaid bills, first between the Selectmen and the Town Accountant, Bob Peters, and then later in substantially the same discussion, between the Selectmen and Herbert C. Barrows, chairman of the Finance Committee.

Peters, when asked if there were any more unpaid bills told the Selectmen that he didn't know, and that he couldn't know until the bills came to him. He told the Selectmen that under the system of "encumbrances" now being set up by TM Courtney and himself that it should be virtually impossible for a recurrence of the unpaid bills episode, providing that the employees of the town "follow through" on the purchasing system.

Some of the bills which were presented were for 1953, and some for earlier times, bills which had not been sent by the vendors, as for instance ambulance repairs in 1952, which amounted to nearly \$300.

Town Hall Expenses

Peters asked for approximately \$1600 for town hall expenses, in money to be transferred in the special town meeting. Peters listed the needs as heat \$287, light \$245, telephone \$865, supplies \$300 and postage \$150.

This money will have to be transferred from "unclassified," the Selectmen decided. In discussing the problem, Selectman Jim Lawler brought out that it amounted to just about the sum that had been cut from the original appropriation for Town Hall expenses, last March, by the Finance Committee. At that time \$2000 was cut, apparently on a basis of having insufficient information.

The telephones in the town hall are costing about \$100 a month, Peters stated, with about \$30 being the basic bill, and \$70 being toll charges and other costs. Town Hall expenses are much higher

this year than previously, which he ascribed to the fact that it is occupied nearly every night, by meetings of one type or another, among other reasons.

The \$300 for which he was asking for supplies was mainly for the new purchase orders, and requisitions, in the new system being installed to prevent a recurrence of the "unpaid bills", Peters told the board.

Fire Station

Unpaid bills for the Fire-Police station amount to about \$1876. These bills are: Installation of Sirens \$425.00, brackets for bunks \$62.58, final architects bill \$75.18 and final contractor's bill \$1314.20. There is \$769.60 in the account. Peters stated, so that if the bills are to be paid the sum of about \$1107 will have to be transferred from some account.

TM Courtney told the Select-

men that he had a letter from Sturgis Associates, architects in which they stated that the building was, in effect, completed. He sta-

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WEATHER

Every day has had its rain -- so the gloomy ones say -- but we don't find any confirmation in the Water Department records, even though we have had a lot of cloudy weather. There was a trace of rain on the 6th, .09 inches on the 7th, .01 on the 10th with a thunderstorm, another on the 11th with the same amount of rain, and on the 12th .19 inches, also with a thunderstorm.

ADDRESSOGRAPH

The addressograph machine is not up at the pumping station. When it is to be used one of the ladies from the town hall will have to go up there, and see how much competition the machine will make against the pumps.

SWIMMING

Eddie Forrest, the lifeguard at Silver Lake, and his assistant, Tex Johnston are being swamped, we understand, with applications from people who want to learn to swim, as a result of our story of last week, in the Crusader.

FISHING

We have heard from the gentleman who runs the cranberry bog, on Shawsheen avenue. He has no objection, he says, to fishing in the upper bogs, by children, who will promise not to damage the property.

GOOD TURN

Barney Marion, of L. M. Marion and Sons, Tewksbury, was a gentleman of a rare type, over the weekend. He heard of the difficulty that the Wilmington Youth Camps is having, with respect to getting a well house over their well, up at Camp Forty Acres. No cement was to be had, because of the long continued strike in the cement industry. Barney went right out and got some, from a source he knows.

Thanks!

CRACKERJACK

We have had a number of our readers comment on the excellence of our new optometrist, Dr. Chernoff -- and it would seem that they have good reason to be right in their judgement -- the doc happens to be one of the best in the business, he was the 79th person to pass the National Board Examinations in Optometry.

IT HAPPENS EVERY WEDNESDAY

We have never had an opportunity to read the book written by the Editor of the Vineyard Haven Gazette, entitled "It happens every Thursday", but we have often reflected that we should write one about "Accidents every Wednesday".

Last week we had a very fine picture of Father Shea, which we scheduled for publication. A number of the ladies of St. Thomas asked us to have copies made of the picture, which copies will be four inches wide and six inches long. In order to make things easier, all around, we prepared an advertisement for the copies, so that the ladies could send in for them.

Then the boys in the back room got busy. They grabbed the picture, forgot the story, and threw the advertisement in underneath! That's the way it came out, too! We were so upset that we insisted the picture be run again, this week, we the story beneath it. Enlargements of Father Shea may still be had, by those that

want them).

YIP -- YIP

We didn't get around to watch the dogs get inoculated, last Saturday but we are told that it was quite a time. A total of 103 dogs received their "shots".

FIRE CRACKERS

The dirty trick played by three boys, last Saturday prompts us to remind our readers that not only is it illegal to sell fire crackers in Massachusetts, but it is also illegal to use or explode them.

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COULD YOU DO IT?

Speaker at the Father and Sons Communion Breakfast, St. Thomas Holy Name Society last Sunday was a Mr. Charles Walsh, from Salem. Mr. Walsh offered a picture of George Washington to anyone who could tell how many children were born to the man who wrote the Star Spangled Banner. Only one person in the room could tell -- that was Joe Peters, of Shawsheen avenue, well known to our readers for his outstanding pitching, last year, in the Wilmington Little League. Joe knew the right number, and was rewarded with the picture of George Washington which was on a piece of paper six inches long, two and one half inches wide, printed with green ink on both sides.

Could you have won that picture? -- we couldn't!

ROGER KAMBOUR AWARDED A B DEGREE

Roger P. Kambour, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kambour, of Warren Mass, and a former resident of Wilmington, graduate of Wilmington high school, was awarded a degree of Bachelor of Arts, at the 133rd annual commencement of Amherst College, on June 13th.

At Amherst Kambour majored in Chemistry, and he received his degree Cum Laude. He was a Dean's List student during his eight semester, and was a member of the Amherst College Glee Club, and an affiliate of Theta Xi fraternity.

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WILMINGTON AND HOWE SWAP WINS

In two make up games last week, Wilmington high school and Howe high school swapped wins, with Howe taking Wilmington for a score of 4 to 2, on Howe's field on June 8th, and Wilmington swamping Howe 21 to 2, on June 9th, in Wilmington.

Branscomb, pitching for Wilmington in the first game struck out 7 players, while Swanson, playing for Howe struck out 3. The heavy hitting was all on the Howe side, with Nickerson, Frey and Johnson hitting two baggers. Swanson allowed four hits, in seven innings, to five allowed by Branscomb.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Wilmington	0	0	0	0	2	0	0

Howe	0	1	0	1	2	0	-
Totals Wilmington	2	Howe	4				

Next afternoon, at Wilmington the home team more than evened up the score, with a 21 to 2 win, one of the few made by Wilmington this season. Batting honors were led by Reid, second baseman for Wilmington and Martin, who played the same position for Howe. Both men made three hits, in three trips to the plate. Swanson, pitching for Wilmington made two hits in three trips, and Burke, playing centerfield for the same team batted 1000, in making two hits in two trips. Howe's catcher Burke, made two hits in four trips. Tony Tessidini, Wilmington's rightfielder made a very creditable 12 put-outs, to lead both teams.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Wilmington	2	0	0	10	2	7	-
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(Polaroid Photo in a minute by Wilmington Crusader)

LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

Attention all land owners and the town Assessor: Little League is looking for a piece of land suitable for a playing field with a parking area for 50 to 100 cars.

A special field development account will be set up to take care of the appropriations for the initial purchase and development of the field.

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A word to the managers of Little League teams. Get the boy off the bench and into the game. You

can't keep an interest in Little League by that. We've gotta win attitude. And by all means read your Little League Manual page 20.

Listen! parents come out and watch the games, help build up that boys morale. Bring the family, have picnic lunch we'll get the park cleaned up.

You might help too, Mr. T. M. This is everybody's job.

The future of America lies in the hands of our youth who need a helping hand from the rocking chair set occasionally. Your Little League Reporter Angostura Bitters.

BOAT AND CANOE TRIP

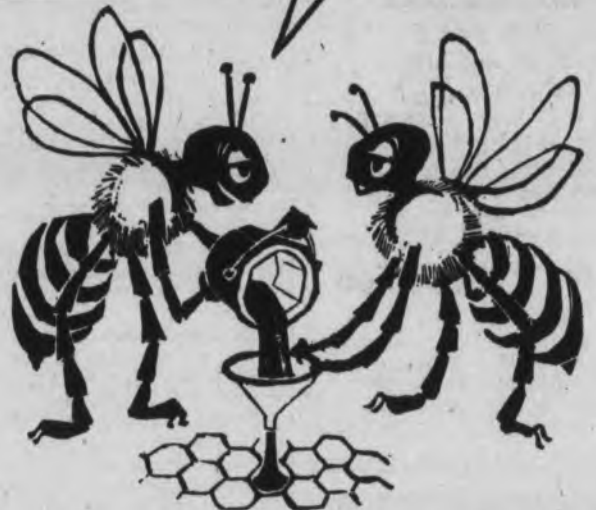
by Walter Rogers
Thomas Rosselli of Troop 57, opened the weekly meeting June 4th on the front lawn of the Buzzell School at 7:30 p.m., with the Scout Law and Oath. The scouts were congratulated on the splendid marching in the Memorial Day parade and are hoping to hold a camporee over the week-end of June 18, 19, and 20th, at Forty Acres, and hope that the other 2 troops will join in, on the fun and competition for the winning troop. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with the Salute to the Flag and the Scout Masters Benediction, after which the scouts headed for Forty Acres.

Upon arriving at camp, the scouts set up camp and retired for the night about 12 p.m.

Some of the scouts rose about 5 a.m. Saturday, and started the fires, while some prepared their meals. Those who remained in their bunks, were up by six. After cooking, they got together and started conservation work on the camp, by clearing away trees and brush, at the same time trimming some pines which were hit by the brush fire of several months ago. After 4 hours of work some of the scouts headed for a spring to go swimming, which was located in Ballardvale, while others scouted around. After the dip, the scouts headed for Ballardvale center, and then returned to camp.

Shortly after lunch, the scouts went to Foster's Pond for another dip, and then headed for the Shawshen River to go boating. Some went in row boats, while others went out in canoes and journeyed down the river.

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As time for returning grew short, thunder could be heard in the distance, and rain drops started to appear. The boats were returned ahead of time, as the scouts didn't wish to get caught in the storm. Upon returning to camp, the downpour of rain came, and the scouts scrambled for shelter. The scouts scattered through the camp for a supply of wood, to keep the fire going. After being on the go all day, the scouts retired about 10 p.m. and slept quite soundly during the night, until 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

Sunday morning the scouts went to church, and returned to Forty Acres for breakfast. After the fire was out, they again ventured to Foster's Pond where Billy Cosman, Franny Kaszynski, Philip Sweet, Joe Harrington, Tommy Bickford, Joe Lynch, Danny Gillis, Jimmy Cosman, Gerald Pupa, and Jimmy Coombs, climbed the cliff several times from different directions. After finding the different ways and methods of arriving at the top, they decided to split into two groups and have a game of war, during which the leader with two other scouts, went for about an hour without being seen, scrambled around on their knees and stomachs, and using ferns to hide themselves. By the time the three scouts were caught, they were quite dirty and wet on the knees. Some of the scouts then went for a dip. Returning to camp shortly afterwards, the scouts packed their equipment and broke camp about five p.m. and headed home.

CDA BARBECUE JUNE 26TH

The CDA of St. Thomas Church is planning a Chicken Barbecue, in aid of the St. Thomas Building Fund, to be held on the Parish grounds Middlesex avenue, on June 26th, between 5 and 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$1.75, and may be obtained from Mrs. Edward Welling, ticket chairman, OL 8-2008, or Mrs. Alexander Quandt, OL 8-2442, or Mrs. Salvatore Provanzano, OL 8-3257.

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PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Caleb S. Harriman late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fifth day of June 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register, J-9-16-23

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Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

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The encyclopedia points out that the largest ranch in United States history was the 3,000,000 acre XIT ranch in Texas, (now divided), from which the state obtained the granite for its famed capitol.

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**ELIZABETH BUCK
GRADUATES FROM
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Canton, New York, Elizabeth J. Buck, Wilmington, Mass., was among the approximately 300 seniors who received baccalaureate degrees upon graduation from St. Lawrence University here today. Elliott V. Bell, chairman of the executive committee of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, delivered

the 98th commencement address and received the honorary doctor of laws degree.

Miss Buck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Buck, 46 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, received the bachelor of arts degree in English. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta, social sorority, and is a member of Alpha Kappa Delta, honorary sociology fraternity. Miss Buck has served as recording secretary of Delta Delta Delta, and she is on the Dean's list.

ST. DOROTHY NEWS

Masses at Silver Lake Betterment Hall at 9:00 and 11:00. Masses at St. Mary's at 7:00, 8:30 and 11:00.

Confessions at Silver Lake, Saturday at 3:30 p.m., at St. Mary's 4:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays Miraculous Medal Novena every Monday evening at 7:45 at St. Mary's.

Baptisms every Sunday at 2 p.m. at the St. Thomas Rectory.

The whist party sponsored by Mrs. Anne Rooney, Mrs. Mary Kaszynski and committee in aid of the St. Dorothy's Parish Building Fund was well attended and most successful. Winners were - Special Mrs. Frank Turner - E. M. Sullivan - Pearl Hanchett - May Blair - Lillian Chapman - Jane Berry - Mrs. Ceoerquist - E. Montgomery

- G. Peterson - Mary E. Tedder - R. Gustus - A. Connors - Betty Krasinski - Adeline Dailey - Ethel Harris - Tom Cranley - G. C. Glidden - Carmen Sadler - June Volpe - F. Kraszynski - M. S. Brennan - Jean Iverson - Isabel Cushing - M. Woller - Enis Gazola - Mary Sottill - T. Chiricos - Helen Johnson - Adeline Cochrane - Flora Vinecour - Wm. Henness - Cynthia Carroll - M. Quant - Adrienne Baldwin - Peggy Lee - Mary Bowen - M. Vano - Lillian Tattersall - Doris Turner - M. Kaszynski - Helen Rowinski - Helen Hillman - Louis Thomas - Frances Cesan - P. Kobylis.

The committee extends their thanks to all for the fine cooperation. Also for their donation of prizes. Fr. Leahy the new Pastor of St. Dorothy's Parish greeted all present with praise for their welcome he has received from those he has met this past week.

A Whist Party in aid of St. Dorothy's Parish Fund will be sponsored by Mrs. Adeline Riley and the following committee - Mrs. Mary Bowen - Mrs. Nellie O'Riell - Mrs. Frances Lynch - Mrs. Annie Baldwin - Mrs. Ann Currier - Mrs. Adrienne Baldwin - Miss Essie Riley - Friday evening June 25th at Betterment Hall. The Public is invited to attend. refreshments will be served and many useful prizes have been

donated.

On Saturday, July 3, at the home of Mrs. Lillian Tattersall - 10 Grove Ave. - A Food Sale will be held - Donations of Home Made Cake - Beans - Rolls - Potato Salad - Cole Slaw etc., have been solicited - Orders will be filled by calling Oliver 8-2961 not later than 10:30 A.M. on day of sale. All proceeds go to the St. Dorothy's Church Building Fund.

BOARD OF HEALTH TURNS DOWN HEALTH CAMP

The Wilmington Board of Health, reluctantly, Thursday night, turned down the application of Wilmington Youth Camps, Inc. for the right to conduct a summer day camp, for boys, on Camp Forty Acres, in North Wilmington. The refusal, as stated by the Board of Health, was not permanent, but one in which certain conditions would have to be met before the permit was granted.

Several ladies, and Foster Balsar, one of the directors of the Wilmington Youth Camps, were present at the hearing. It was noted by the Board that there was no one present from the Reading YMCA, which is also sponsoring the day camp, scheduled to open on June 21st.

Balsar told the Board of Health that he had had a well installed, for drinking water, and several latrines. The well cost \$400, and he had only \$100 to pay on account, at the present time. The Board requires a building over the well, in accordance with State Law, and told Balsar that until the building was there the state would not examine the water. Until the state has examined and approved of the water it cannot be used, and the board frowned on substitute attempts, for reasons of sanitation.

Balsar's estimate of the cost of the building required was in the neighborhood of \$250, and he knew of no place where the money could be raised, without difficulty. In this the Board was most sympathetic, and individuals on the Board promised to see if it would be possible for them, as individuals to facilitate matters.

Balsar told the Board that the Wilmington Youth Camps Inc. is an organization of Wilmington people who have set aside a tract of land for the permanent use of children of Wilmington, as a camping ground. The organization is non-profit, and has depended on volunteer labor, very little of which has been had in the past few years. During the past few weeks, since the agreement with the Reading YMCA, Balsar stated, there have been more than a dozen volunteer workers from Reading, on each weekend, in the camp.

These men had done a lot, Balsar stated, but he had to admit that perhaps volunteer labor was not the answer, if the camp is to be ready for June 21st.

(The Reading YMCA and the Wilmington Youth Camps, Inc., working together, are trying to have a summer day camp, for 100 boys of both towns, for a six week period, at Camp Forty Acres, this summer)

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ST. THOMAS NEWS

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We are so indebted to you for your help towards the Seminary. An amazing gift from the Junior C.D.A. deserves our thanks. We also commend to your grateful prayers Miss Cleo O'Brien, Miss Annie Lynch, the Committee and

all who contributed to the success of last week's whist party. Coming

The envelopes for next Sunday's monthly collection have been distributed.

On Saturday June 26th the Chicken Barbeque sponsored by the C.D.A. Mrs. Mary Quandt and Miss Dot Provencano are Co-Chairmen. Mrs. Welling and her Ticket Comm. remind us that this famous event is reserved for its patrons only. Hence tickets should be secured early.

Banns

2nd time - Joseph Murphy and Cynthia Dickenson. 1st time - William Nee and Marion Foley. Prayers

Remember in your prayers our sick parishioners. Anselm, McDonald and Catherine Rogers who were buried this week. Patrick Martin whose 1st Anniv. Requiem High Mass - Sat. 8:00 a.m. Our Deceased Parishioners; Pater, Ave, Requiem. Our Marian Year Prayer - The Memorare.

My Dear Parishioners:

To succeed your former beloved Pastor Fr. Shea who commanded such deep love and veneration, feelings of fear and trepidation are not unnatural. Fr. Shea reassured me however that I come among a splendid people who have proven their beautiful Faith and strong love for their parish. In your zealous Curate Fr. Regan, and the few parishioners I have already met, I have found his words vindicated.

With the rapid growth of your parish new problems have arisen and adjustments will be inevitable. God who provides shelter for the birds of the air will do likewise for the children of His flock here. Pentecost reminds us that we still have the Holy Ghost to enlighten us and help us through.

Let me ask you therefore for your prayers in behalf of Fr. Shea and myself that we be equal and worthy of the tasks assigned us. If priests are good people will be likewise. "Like Priest, like people" Assuring you of our eagerness to continue the fine traditions of Fr. Shea to the end that our parish may generate an even holier, healthier and happier influence in this area.

Respectfully in Our Lady. Fr. Croke. Message from the Archbishop The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Every day of that month, on thirty consecutive days, Mass will be celebrated for all who were identified with the spring paper drive. This is the best way in which I could express to you my gratitude and appreciation.

WILMINGTON GIRLS MADE A CLEAN SWEEP IN BASEBALL THIS SPRING

The softball nine, of Wilmington high school went to Chelmsford, on June 9th, to defeat the Chelmsford nine 20 to 4. This, the last game of the season gave the Wilmington girls a clean sweep for the year, with every team they met having to bow low before them.

June Goss hit a homer in the fifth inning, and two three baggers were hit, one by Joan Cushing in the first and the other by the same young lady in the 2nd.

Playing for Wilmington were Jean Ashworth ss, Joan Cushing rf, Eleanor Kirkell lf, Sandra Har-

ris 3b, Jane Randall 2b, Pat Bennett cf, Barbara Odiorne 1b, Louise Carnes c, and Lucille Cavallo, pitcher. Also playing, as substitutes were Orne, Howell, Anderson, Goss and Pellerin.

The Chelmsford lineup included Anne Crowe 3b, Mory McCarthy 1b, Judy Bamill lf, Frances Eaton 2b, Gloria Padch ss, Nancy Wright rf, Eileen Cummings, Kay Morrow p, and Nancy Medin cf.

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Wilmington 2 3 0 0 9 1 5
Chelmsford 2 0 0 2 0 0 0
Totals - Wilmington 20, Chelmsford 4.

THOMAS McMAHON GRADUATES FROM BENTLEY

Thomas McMahon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. McMahon, Middlesex avenue, was one of 325 graduates who were awarded their diplomas from the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, on the 35th annual Commencement Exercises, held at the Boston Opera House on June 11th.

GERALDINE PORTER AWARDED DEGREE

Geraldine T. Porter, daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. Henry Porter, of Columbia street was awarded a degree of Bachelor of Science, from Tufts College, in cooperation with the Boston School of Occupational Therapy, in exercises held at Tufts College Sunday afternoon.

Miss Porter attended Wilmington high school, and studied in Boston University before taking up her studies in the Boston School of Occupational Therapy and Tufts.



MICHAEL J. ELIA

THREE RECEIVE DEGREES AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Alan Altman, 77 Church street, received a degree of Bachelor of Laws, Michael J. Elia, 200 West street received a degree of Bachelor of Science, in Business Administration, and Herbert Harold Silverman, BM, EDM, received his Doctorate, in Education, at the 1954 June Commencement exercises of Boston University, held in Boston University Field on June 5th.

NOTICE OF SALE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex, ss. Lowell April 5, 1954 By virtue of an execution issued from the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex, within our County of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of January 1954 in the suit of Harold F. Upton, doing business as Upton Lumber Company versus Richard F. Higgins, Gordon Road, North Reading. I have this day seized and taken and shall sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder on July 10, 1954, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at my office 53 Central Street, in said Lowell, all the right, title and interest which the said Richard F. Higgins had not exempt by law from attachment or levy on the fifth day of April 1954 at 9:00 o'clock A.M. in and to the following described real estate to wit: Land with buildings thereon in North Reading, being shown as lots 33 and 33A on a "Plan of Liberty Acres, drawn by H. Alfred Millhouse, C. E. and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Plan Book 306, Plan 6, bounded as follows: Easterly on Gordon Road, 190 feet; Southwesterly on Park Street, W. 73 feet; Westerly by land formerly of Jas. Travis, 128 feet; Northerly by lot 34 on plan 63 feet. Containing 10000. square feet. Subject to a mortgage in the original amount of \$3000.00 given by Richard F. Higgins et ux. Beverly Higgins as tenants by the entirety to Reading Cooperative Bank recorded in said Registry Book 7710, Page 445.

Loring R. Kew, Jr., Deputy Sheriff

J-9-16-23

COMMENDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Larz Neilson, Editor The Wilmington Crusader.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Sell and I wish to commend the Wilmington Police Department for the fast and efficient manner in which they handled the accident scene at Main street, Silver Lake, on Saturday morning when our son, Paul was seriously hurt. We also want to thank those responsible for dispatching the ambulance so quickly and thank the two Wilmington firemen who drove the ambulance so quickly to St. John's hospital in Lowell.

It was indeed comforting and fortunate to find Dr. Kelman and Dr. Fagan administering first aid when we arrived at the scene. Their service to us was invaluable at that time. To add to all this we are grateful to the many neighbors and friends who came to our side, including Father Croke, who comforted Paul at the scene.

We want to pay particular tribute to the fine police work of Officers Troy and Kelley who, on the basis of a partial automobile registration number finally spotted the car, and apprehended those responsible for the accident.

Yours truly,
Bert Sell
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CUTTER ELECTED DIRECTOR OF BAR ASSOCIATION

Atty. Simon Cutter, 43 Church street, has been elected a Director of the Woburn District Bar Association. The election took place last Thursday evening. Cutter has been a resident of Wilmington for the past 15 years and is currently Moderator of the Town of Wilmington.

Americans now drink nearly a pound of tea a year but this is far below the British who average 15 pounds a year. - - Changing Times.



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JUNIOR HIGH GRADUATES
119 THURSDAY EVENING
119 pupils, students in the eighth grade graduated from the Wilmington Junior High School last Thursday at 8, in exercises held in the rear of the Wilming-

ton High School. With the processional being led by Diane Witham, Denis Crispo, Patricia Kennedy and Virginia Babine as Marshals, the Alma Mater was played by the High School Band.

ORDER OF EXERCISES

1. Processional Alma Mater Band
2. Invocation Rev. John J. Regan
3. Glee Club
 - a) "I Believe" Jean Sibelius
 - b) "Dear Land of Home" Mrs. James Liston
4. Announcements
5. Presentation of Awards
 - Excellence in English Doreen Diane Sonier
 - Excellence in Mathematics Robert Harry Cornish
 - Excellence in History Richard Jackson Meadows
 - Excellence in Geography Kenneth Marcus Lyons, Jr.
 - Excellence in Science John Parker Prindle, Jr.
 - Excellence in Music Robert Doucette
 - Excellence in Art John Avarad MacCullin, Jr.
 - Sportsmanship Kirby Butt - James Augustine Day

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6. Glee Club
7. "If You Can't Sing, Whistle" Jack Hart - Tom Blight
8. Presentation of Diplomas Mr. Clifford J. Good
 - Ernest M. Crispo
 - Vice Chairman of Wilmington School Committee
9. Benediction Rev. Richard E. Harding
10. Recessional "Now Is The Hour"

Brenda McKelvey, Grade 6

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Manual Joseph Barry, Jr.
†Thomas Leo Bowen
§Daniel Paul Burbine
Paul Burke
†Paul Kirby Butt
†Quentin Lloyd Carmichael, Jr.
Gerald Charles Christopher
John Joseph Christopher, Jr.
§†James Paul Combs
§†Robert Harry Cornish
Chester Melbourne Crowell, Jr.
†Thomas Edward Cotter
Charles Andrew Cushing
§†James Augustine Day
Salvatore De Pasquale
*Robert Lawrence Doucette
†Clifton Everett Downs
Gerald Roger Duggan
William Frederick Duggan
Kenneth James Elliot
William Emmons
*William James Fay, Jr.
*William James Finney, Jr.
A. Robert Flemming
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David Joseph Froton
†Gerald Alan Galvin
§†George Lesley Gladding, Jr.
Paul William Guilfrre
Joseph Lawrence Ingemi
†William Joseph Johnston
*Robert John Kaszynski
*John Stuart Kerr

†Elizabeth Ann Albawicz
Jeanette Elizabeth Allen
Rosemarie Amato
†Jacqueline Ashworth
†Judith Elizabeth Barnaby
§Brenda Rose Barry
†Joan Elizabeth Bennett
†Beverly Ann Blackburn
†Judith Lorraine Blanchard
†Marilyn Louise Boyle
†Lorraine Carmel Brennick
†Janice Marie Cole
Doris Ann Cushing
Phyllis Marion Cutter
†Dorothy Mary Devlin
†Christine Ann Doucette
†Phyllis Ann Doucette
Sandra Lee Dupras
†Joanne Judith Enos
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†Judith Ann Roberts
†Mary Irene Ross
†Phyllis Ann Ryan
†Olympia Dolores Silva

Patricia Ann White

† Glee Club
* Band

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Neil MacDonald, Jr.
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STATE BOARD OF HEALTH FINDS OIL IN WILMINGTON DUMP

Officials of the Board of Health have been apprized, by a letter, that oil is being dumped in the Town Dump. A letter which was addressed to the Town Manager, with a copy to the Board of Health reads:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health June 8, 1954

Mr. Joseph F. Courtney, Town Manager, Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir: During the course of a routine examination of the sanitary condition of the Ipswich River and its tributaries, made by the engineer of the Department of Public Health on June 7, 1954, large quantities of oil were observed below the Wilmington Municipal Dump.

It is understood that the (name deleted by editor) Oil Company is permitted to dump oil on these premises. The Ipswich River is used as a source of water supply for the cities of

Lynn, Peabody, Salem and Beverly. In addition it is one of the heavily stocked streams in the Commonwealth.

The Department is of the opinion that the discharge of oil to the Ipswich River or its tributaries is a nuisance and may be detrimental to the public health, and to fish. The Department requests that you prohibit the discharge of oil into the municipal dump in any manner by which it may escape into any tributary of the Ipswich River and requests that it may be advised as to your action in this matter.

Environmental Sanitation Respectfully,
C. I. Stirling, Jr.,
Deputy Commissioner
Discussing this letter, at the Board of Health meeting, Thursday night, the officials declared that they had no knowledge of any oil company having permission to dump oil in the municipal dump. Frank Haggerty, of the Board of Health declared that he had been told by friends that a certain oil truck was to be seen, about midnight, dumping



AS HE CAME — SO HE LEFT

Father Shea arrived at St. Thomas during a snowstorm, on the night of January 8, 1950, and immediately charmed the ladies of the CDA, who were meeting, with his friendly wit and humor. Pictured above, on his last day at St. Thomas is the same Father Shea, still charming, and still joking with the ladies of his church. (Polaroid photo in a minute by Wilmington Crusader)

oil in the dump, and that he had made attempts to catch it, but had not been successful.

As a result of the letter, and the deliberations, the Board of Health decided that it would be wise to put up a barrier, in the form of a fence and gate which could be locked at night, to stop such activities.

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Herbert C. Reynolds and wife to Judson O. Arbo and wife, Westdale avenue.

Eleazer Squibb to Ernest B. Stowe and wife, Suncrest acres.

George Vokey to George Vokey and wife, Main street.

Town of Wilmington to George Vokey, Main street.

Under Land Registration Act George M. Doucette and wife to Warren F. Clancy, Forest street.

Elizabeth Moriarty to Charles R. Harris and wife, Arlington street.

WALKER SPRING GRADUATES FROM UNIVERSITY OF R. I.

Kingston, R.I. — Walker C. Spring of 344 Salem street, No. Wilmington, was granted a bachelor's degree at the University of Rhode Island on June 14.

Mr. Spring majored in sociology and is a member of Alpha Tau Gamma fraternity. He plans to do graduate work at Boston University next year.

Commencement exercises were held outdoors on the Quadrangle and the speaker was Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State College and assistant secretary for defense.

Eighty percent of all home buyers wind up paying from \$72 to \$90 a month for housing expense - including, mortgage payments, maintenance, water, gas electricity, and fuel. The average \$3,000 to \$3,600 a year family buys a house worth about \$9,000 and pays \$72 a month in housing expense; while the average \$6,000 to \$8,600 a year man pays about \$11,700 for his house, and it costs him \$90 in

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The sections are bolted together and can be stored in the off season period. Dugouts or shelters are also portable and can be stored.

Painting the fence was done through the generous offer of the Ladies Auxiliary: "to paint the fence from stem to stern". They have covered themselves with "Glory" to the the least. (even if it is green)

BENEVENTO CHARGES HE IS BEING USED AS A "WHIPPING BOY"
Calls North Reading an "Ancient Mariner"

Michael Benevento, owner of the Benevento Sand & Gravel Co. has issued a statement, regarding the alleged damages his gravel pit has caused to residents of North Reading, in which statement he charges that he is being used as a "whipping boy."

The statement read: "Appropos of recent articles published in the Crusader concerning the overflow of Martin's Brook, in the Town of North Reading, Michael Benevento of the Benevento Sand & Gravel Co. feels that he is being used as a whip-

ping boy in the alleged damage and health menace by residents and officials of that town. He wishes to state that he has spared no efforts or expense to relieve the condition caused by past heavy rains and floods. He has been told by the Town of Wilmington officials and by the State Division of Waterways that he has satisfactorily complied with their requests and suggestions in handling the matter."

Benevento stated to the press that he has on several occasions checked the depth of the brook with rod and transit. At a recent meeting, in the Selectmen's office in North Reading a Mr. M— of North Reading, purporting to represent residents of the Martin's pond section of North Reading stated that he had also measured the depth of the brook. Benevento stated that his impression of the manner in which this was accomplished—a boat trip down the brook by a Mr. M—, were reminiscent of the Mississippi River boat days, with soundings being taken by a two foot rule, wielded by an artisan of the Ancient Mariner.

Benevento tells his opinion of the operation, by those claiming he is responsible, and by those who have officially followed and checked the situation as being comparable to big construction engineers being advised by "sidewalk engineers."

As a closing factor in the dispute, Benevento cited the case of Flint versus the Town of Wilmington, in which the town was charged with flooding the latter's land, from the same source. This suit was originally brought long before Benevento came into the disputed area, and Flint has had a permanent injunction issued against him, to prevent more of the trials that resulted.

Benevento asserts that since he has been in the area he has definitely improved, rather than retarded the conditions.

Inspector, and other officials involved.

In making his announcement, Rice stated that these regulations are going to be strictly observed, and that no deviations of any sort will be permitted.

BOARD OF HEALTH TO ASK FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL MONEY

The Wilmington Board of Health, at its Thursday evening meeting decided to ask the Town of Wilmington for \$500, for mosquito control, by spraying. The money will be asked by inserting a warrant article, in the forthcoming special town meeting.

Patrick Thebeau, Sanitarian of the Town of Wilmington, told the Board that he had investigated the cost of spraying by airplane, and found it to be excessive. He suggested instead, that money be used to employ the facilities of the tree department for spraying in areas where the work would be most useful.

Thebeau also told the Board of Health that he plans to have a leaflet prepared, on control of mosquitoes near homes, and have this leaflet mailed along with the tax bills, in the same envelope. There are many things

that a householder can do, he stated, to reduce the number of mosquitoes in the vicinity of his home. Thebeau cited a recent survey by the state, in which it was determined that 72% of the mosquitoes in Wilmington were culex pipens, or the common "house mosquito" and only 14% were aedes, or swampland mosquito. This meant he said, that an airplane spray would not get rid of the type which bothers the people of Wilmington most.

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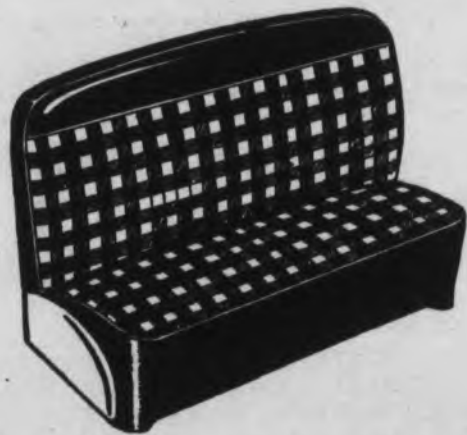
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of the Tewksbury High School, took place at the High School Auditorium, on Friday evening, June 11th. After the processional March, Rev. James B. McCartin, of St. Williams' Parish, said the Invocation. Nancy MacLaren gave the Salutory, followed by the mixed chorus of the High School, singing In My Garden, by Firestone. Mr. Melvin G. Rogers awarded the Football and Baseball Medals, and Mrs. Maurice D. Condey, the P.T.A. Basketball Medals, the P.T.A. Citizenship Medal, and the P.T.A. Scholarships for Nurses's Training and College. Mrs. Howard C. Woolaver presented the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Certificate, and Headmaster Lawrence R. McGowan gave the Balfour Award for Loyalty, Scholarship and Achievement. Dr. Herbert M. Larrabee presented the Larrabee Scholarship Medals to the highest ranking girl and boy. William Bell played a piano selection followed by remarks by Tewksbury Superintendent of Schools, Thos. L. Rivard. Walter Golen, 1954 Class President the class gift, and it was accepted by 1955 class President, Rae Sutherland. The orchestra played Serenade, by tao selli, and Shirley O'Connell gave the Valedictory. The mixed chorus, under the direction of Mr. Beals, sang, Mandalay. Mrs. Loella E. Dewing, chairman of the School Committee, presented the diplomas, and Rev. Jack M. Tuell gave the Benediction. Those receiving diplomas were: Richard A. Barreille, William L. Bell, Andrew R. Berwind, Robert E. Carey, Dorothy M. Carmichael, William J. Carrigg, John F. Connors, Arthur J. Coutu, Vincent P. Coyne, Merton E. Curtis, Jr. Barbara J. Daley, Richard W. Davis, Catherine T. Doherty, Harley Dougherty, James E. Ducrow, Helen M. Dunn, Alice M. Farrell, Dawn E. Gath, Walter F. Golen, John J. Hanson, Thomas F. Hickey, Richard F. Hobson, Lenetta I King, Irene B. LeBel, Nancy A. MacLaren, Walter A. Martin, Daniel P. Matthews, Jeanne A. McGrath, Robert McPherson, Ron-

old F. Neuse, Margaret A. Myhr, Shirley J. O'Connell, George R. Osborne, Eleanor Peavey, Nancy E. Ramalho, Dorothy A. Scott, Sandra M. Seagle, Helen C. Shaw, Jacquelyn D. Sheehan, Patricia Smith, Richard A. Snyder, Chester C. Sullivan, Jean Sullivan, Thomas E. Watson, Elinor M. L. White, and Audrey J. Winter. Acting as Class marshal, was Richard Hobson, and Junior Usheers were; Janet Donahue, Mary Ann Shea, Thomas Aspell, and Louis Marion.

The South Tewksbury Methodist Church held their annual Children's Day Service, at the church, on Sunday, June 13th. The following children were awarded pins for attendance and achievement: First year; Carolyn Anderson, Sandra Beck, Beverly Bell, Robin Bell, Carl Bishop, Louis Haas, Carol Hart, Nancy Hart, Barbara Jewer, Arthur O'Connell, Charles Carter, Donald Carter, Arlene Ebinger, Jean Watson, Susan Watson, and William Young; Second year; Rita Bishop, Lois Brabant, Howard Collins, Margaret Drew, Richard Drew, Paul Malatesta, Steven Malatesta, Nancy Noyes, Ellie O'Connell, Cynthia Tuell, Jacqueline Tuell; Third year; Donna Burgess, Robert Noyes, Russell Noyes; Fourth year; Leroy Noyes; Fifth year; Carol Burgess; Seventh year; Sally Curtis, Barbara O'Connell, Judy Palmer; Eighth year; Shirley O'Connell, Sandra Palmer. Those being promoted from the Primary Department to the Junior Department, and being presented with Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible, were; Beverly Bell, Rita Bishop, Howard Collins, Arlene Ebinger, Sandra Ebinger, Sheila Ebinger, Frances Gablinske, Edna Grath, Alice Gray, Marlene Heald, Marion Hewitt, Barbara Jewer, Allan Maynard, Ruth McAllister, Arthur Minkien, Russell Noyes, Janet Smith. All children present were given pins and plants. There will be no Sunday School for the younger children during the summer, but there will be a program of Christian Adventure for the Intermediates and Youth, at the 10:00 a.m. hour, on Sunday mornings, throughout the summer.

The Church School will hold its annual Picnic, next Saturday, June 19th, at the Andover State Park. The Junior Choir will hold its spring concert, on Friday evening, at the church, starting at 7:30 p.m.

WILMINGTON GIRLS SWAMP BILLERICA
 Wilmington high school's girls softball team their customary win, in a game against the Howe high girls, in Billerica on June 8th. The Wilmington girls have not lost a single game this season, and won this one by a 5 to 0 score. Patty Bennett, playing center-field for Wilmington hit a three bagger in the third, and she was matched in the seventh inning by her teammate Jane Randall, second base.

Playing for Howe were Helen Neiss, Dot Beaulie, Dot Buonoma, Jean Hunt, Elaine O'Hara, Anne Harrington, Betty Anderson, Betty Piper, and Pat Redinskas.

Playing for Wilmington were; Eleanor Kirkell, Sandra Harris, Barbara Odiorne, Ruth Howell, Patty Bennett, Jean Ashworth, Jean Cushing, Louise Carnes, Margie Orne and Lucille Cavallaro.

TIGERS STILL LEAD LITTLE LEAGUE
 Weinberg's Tigers were still top of the pile, at the end of the third week in Wilmington Little League, although during the week they had lost their first game, to the fast climbing Red Sox.

The loss to the Red Sox was on June 7th, when an explosion in the third inning gave the Sox four runs. The Tigers crossed the plate twice, once in the third, and once in the fifth.

Melzar led the Sox in hitting, getting three hits for four trips to the plate, while Micalizzi, the catcher collected two in the same number of trips. Sciasia, for the Tigers batted .666, making two hits in three trips.

by Eddie Fuller, in the fifth. Fuller was able to make his run on a fielders error, when a bad throw was made to second base.

Indians				
	ab	h	po	a
Mottola, cf	3	0	0	0
McLaughlin, 3b	2	0	0	0
H. McCormick, ss	2	0	0	0
Frotton, 1b	1	0	4	0
Elliot, rf	2	0	0	0
Ahearn, lf	2	0	0	0
N. McCormick, 2b	2	0	1	1
Brown, c	2	0	7	1
Hastings, c	1	0	3	0
Ashdown, p	2	0	0	0

Red Sox Climb Some More
 Cain's Red Sox climbed another notch, on the ninth of June, by defeating the Indians 10 to 6. The Sox made five of their ten runs in the fifth inning, to sew the game up tightly.

The Red Sox pitcher, Ryan, was tops as he pitched a no-hit game, the second, it is believed, in the season.

Red Sox				
	ab	h	po	a
Palino, lf	2	0	0	0
Snodgrass, lf	1	0	0	0
Boudreau, 1b	3	2	7	0
Melzar, ss	4	0	1	0
Ryan, p	4	2	6	0
McGrath, 2b	4	0	2	1
Strickland, cf	4	1	0	1
Chisholm, rf	2	0	0	0
Casey, rf	2	0	0	0
Beaton, 1b	1	0	1	3
Ross, c	1	0	1	8

Indians				
	ab	h	po	a
McMullin, rf	3	0	1	0
McLaughlin, 3b	2	0	1	2
H. McCormick, ss	2	0	0	2
Frotton, 1b	3	0	4	0
Elliot, cf	3	0	2	0
Ahearn, lf	2	0	1	0
Roche, 2b	1	0	2	0
Hastings, c	2	0	5	0
N. McCormick, p	3	0	2	0

the end of the **LITTLE LEAGUE**
Tigers 6, Yanks 5
 The Tigers, after losing their first game of the season, came back Thursday, with a win over the Yanks. McCabe, pitching for the Tigers made a very respectable three hits, for four times at bat, with Tony Del Torto, right field, making two hits in three trips.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6
Tigers	0	0	2	2	0	2
Yanks	0	0	0	1	0	4
Totals - Tigers 6, Yanks 5.						

League Standing at end of Week

Team	W	L	Pct
Tigers	4	1	.800
Red Sox	4	2	.666
Indians	2	3	.400
Yanks	1	5	.166

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THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

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ted that Town Counsel Buzzell had reported that the architect is supposed to be the arbiter of these questions, but, that Buzzell was going to check further. Peters reminded the selectmen that there was a list of unfinished work, about four weeks ago, and Mrs. Drew was unable to understand how work that was not done four weeks ago could be done now, if nothing had happened in the interim. Courtney read the letter from the architect, which was dated May 20th, and then commented "Something weird!"

Woods then began to list a few of the troubles he knew of, such as the doors of the fire station coming down on the trucks, and Peters reminded the board that the Siren was not in the original contract, and that the town had saved \$1200 by doing it this way.

Lawler: "Simply a case of not enough money?"

Peters: "That's right!"

Centralized purchasing.

Courtney and Peters discussed for about five minutes the new purchasing system being set up. It will be a "card-ex" system, in which the various categories will be listed by number, and by which no purchase will be allowed until the money has been set aside for it ("encumbered" was the word that Peters used). They hope to set up the system next week.

Lawler: What about little items - a quart of oil for instance?

Courtney: Order it by the drum, and set up a central stores system.

Lawler: That ought to be good news to the Finance Committee.

Cottage street

Walter Currier, of Cottage street paid a visit to the Selectmen. He expressed a hope that the street would be finished through to Grove avenue and told the Selectmen that it had stopped 400 feet short, of that point. The selectmen explained that this was because of somebody's porch, or something like that - they couldn't remember the exact details, but there had been something that couldn't be allowed, but that was in the projected street.

Currier was somewhat indignant. The trouble, he thought, was because one summer resident wouldn't sign the "release" papers, and the thought of all the winter residents having an unfinished street because of this one person was not pleasant for him. "We all suffer for one person", he stated. He wanted something done, but the Selectmen told him that nothing could be done until this person had signed the "release" and in any event nothing could be done until the next March meeting.

Fourth of July

The Nee Ellsworth Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to have a bonfire, on the Rotary Park Grounds, on July 4th, at 10 p.m. They sent William Bovitz to the Selectmen's meeting to talk about it. The Selectmen granted permission, and also granted a two days victualers license for the event, with the fee being waived.

Herbert Barrows

The board met for several hours with Herbert C. Barrows, and discussed bills, and articles for the town warrant.

TM Courtney told the selectmen that he and Barrows had already been discussing much of this, and that there were agreed that money needed for the special town meeting should be raised by (1) transferring the money left over, after the garbage contract had been let (\$4050) to available funds, (2) transferring \$5349.50 from Selectmen's land sales in 1953 to available funds, and (3) transferring about \$5000 out of Water Extensions, 1954 to available funds. The money for water extensions, to be transferred represents part of the cost of laying pipe on West street, voted this year, and it would be necessary to rescind this part of the vote.

Barrows, and others, were agreed that the Water-mains should not be laid around the curve of West street. "You would need a rubber hose to do it", said Barrows.

Among items on which it was agreed that there should be transfers were:

\$3000 for an account on Tax Titles, which, the TM said, should cover the necessary expenses for 1954 to clean up a lot of outstanding work.

\$350 for cemetery salaries. This was because of the change in salary rates, voted at the annual Town Meeting. It was agreed that the vote forget to include money for the change.

\$3080 for Veteran's Agent. Courtney told the chairman of the Finance Committee that there was a case of a veteran's family in which there were unusually heavy medical expenses.

\$800 for School Plant account.

This is for maintenance of grounds (mowing lawns, etc) an item that wasn't allocated in the original budget, as set up.

The work is being done by cemetery department employees. Enquiry by Barrows established that this money would be sufficient to take care of the lawns for the Wildwood school, as well as the others.

In addition to this, it was agreed that the sum of \$2000 should be allocated, but not necessarily transferred from the Reserve to

Unclassified, to be used in "authenticating" the bonds for the high school addition, etc, voted last March. (The word "authenticating" refers to the legal and other work needed, before the bonds can be issued). Courtney told the Board and Barrows that Town Accountant Peters expected that the cost would be at least \$1700. Barrows thought that this money shouldn't really come from any account other than the building accounts, as this was what the money was really being spent for,

and to this everyone agreed.

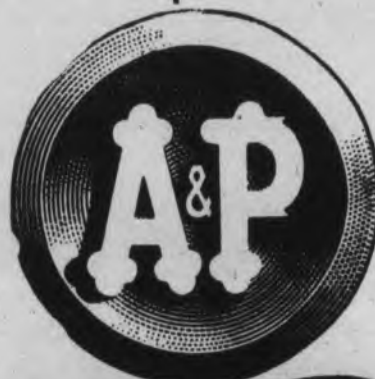
The sum of \$500 is going to be asked for, for Mosquito control. TM Courtney frankly admitted that this is an experiment, which Mrs. Drew predicted will be "certainly popular". Barrows told the board that he understood that Reading had a set up in which a householder was charged \$2 for spraying around his home, something that he thought worthy of consideration "in our present financial set-up - the way the mon-

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REMODELED ATLANTIC FOOD MART HAD GRAND OPENING LAST THURSDAY

Two thousand beautiful orchids especially flown from Hawaii for the occasion were presented the first 2000 ladies to attend the Grand Opening of the New Atlantic Food Mart at 10-12 Haven st. on Thursday, June 10. Other giveaway items included a Bendix washer, an English bicycle and four electric floor polishers.

For the past six months remodeling on a grand scale has been going on at this popular store, which is known far and wide as the Super Market with the Friendly Atmosphere. The results of those months of effort were shown to the public at the Gala Opening.

All departments in the new store have been designed to give the customer a more complete selection of merchandise, without sacrificing customer convenience. The aisles are 6" wider than in the old store. Two additional high-speed double-belt Checkouts have been installed bringing the total to five. Of latest design the refrigerated cases for meats, frozen foods, ice cream and dairy products were manufactured by the C.V. Hill Co., New Jersey.

A new canopied entrance from the parking lot in the rear will speed customer service and the Magic Carpet door on Haven st., which opens automatically will prove a real boon to heavily laden outgoing customers.

The increased size of the store is its most conspicuous feature. Every department has been doubled in sales area. Special emphasis has been placed on household utensils and cosmetic and drug items in step with the newest

trend in super markets to stock non-food items.

A complete Dietetic department will be a new feature, as will the air conditioning throughout. New shopping carriages have a larger capacity and move with greater ease. Not the least of the new improvements is an express check-out lane for people who have purchased only a few items. The striking new modern store front with its greatly increased display area has already aroused considerable public comment.

Maintain Store Engineering Service, Inc., has handled all remodeling details for the Atlantic Food Mart and this latest job is the third they have done for the local store. The first took place 15 years ago when the original small store was converted into a self-service market and the second took place in 1948, when three adjacent stores were absorbed in the process.

In the words of Russ Maintain, president of the Maintain Store Engineering Service, Inc., "the Atlantic Food Mart can be regarded as a Maintain 'Outstanding Store'". This term is defined by Maintain Store Engineers as "the store that does 100 per cent of everything it is possible to do to draw in more customers, to build more sales, to cut down work, overhead and costs."

Maintain Store Engineers take the attitude that sooner or later every trading community must have in every retail field, one outstanding store — that if there is not such a store at the present time, some capable merchant is going to develop it, and therefore, he would be smart to make his store the outstanding store and thus keep new competition from

coming in.

In the Atlantic Food Mart, Sid Rubin has achieved the recognition as an outstanding merchant conducting an outstanding store. Much credit should be given to Sid Rubin and his staff and also to Bill Gaudet, Maintain Store Engineer, for the development and successful outcome of the Atlantic Food Mart.

BORDEN'S COMPANY OPENS NEW PLANT IN WOBURN

Formal opening of The Borden Company's recently completed ice cream plant at 16 Conn street, Woburn, was marked several weeks ago by a two-day open house, according to an announcement by C. F. Higginbotham, manager of the operation. The plant, which has an annual production capacity of 2,000,000 gallons of ice cream was open for inspection on Thursday, May 20, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and on the following day from 1 to 10 p.m., Mr. Higginbotham said.

As a special attraction for the general public, and particularly for the children, the open house featured two of the most famous members of the bovine world—Elsie the Cow and her bull-calf son Beauregard. They were at the plant in "person" in their nationally famous barn colonial boudoir. A six-ton display, the boudoir has been completely redecorated and refurbished since Elsie's appearance in a Boston department store several years ago.

Architecturally in keeping with the best New England tradition, the new Borden plant sets a high standard for industrial establishments. Of Colonial design in red brick and a white trim plus well landscaped grounds, the plant has more the appearance of a country club than a plant. It is an outstanding example of the Borden program to style plants in local taste and tradition, Mr. Higginbotham said.

The plant is located off a four acre tract fronting on Conn street, just off Main street, and flanked by the Boston & Maine Railroad tracks and John street. It is a one-story steel and brick structure, with the plant front and sides of Harvard brick and the roof of Waylite brick. The over-all plant size is about 175 by 320 feet. It has about 44,000 square feet of floor space, including facilities for manufacturing as well as offices, a garage for a fleet of 25 trucks, and a workshop.

The plant was in full operation during the two day open house, with the Woburn's plant force of some 100 employees acting as hosts. The plant produces about 140 ice cream items and flavors which are distributed in six New England states by truck. The newest and most modernly equipped ice cream plant in the New England area, the plant was "in the making" for two years. Excavation work was started in the fall of 1952, and the construction work finished in mid-summer of 1953, when ice cream production was begun. However, it was not until this spring that final installation of some equipment was completed.

Architects were Cowell and Robinson of New York City, but construction was handled by local firms. Walter L. Ritchie Co. of Malden, was the general contractor and the George W. Phelps Co. Inc., of Boston, the electrical contractor. Plumbing and heating was installed by C. H. Cronin, Inc., of Boston, and refrigeration by Harding and Gross, Inc., of Cambridge. Other local supplies included Armstrong Cork Co., of Boston for the plants ice cream hardening room, truck bodies by Refrigerator Truck Body, Inc. of Woburn, and ice cream production equipment by Cherry-Burrell Corp., of Charlestown.

METHODIST CHURCH TO HONOR FATHER'S ON SUNDAY

The members and friends of the Wilmington Methodist Church will honor Father's in a special father's day observance, Sunday, June 20 at 10 a.m. The youngest, oldest, and father with the largest family in church will be presented with copies of the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament. The Rev. Mr. Harding will preach on the topic: "A Famous Father."

All persons are asked to note change in time for this service. Only one service will be held beginning next Sunday and continuing through the month of August.

Members of the official will meet for a special meeting immediately following the service, and attention is called to the fact that there will

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be no meeting on Monday, June 21.

YOUNG PEOPLE REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP

A large number of children and young people of the Wilmington Methodist Church have registered for the summer camps and institutes to be held at Rolling Ridge this summer. This is the first summer that a camp is being held for fifth and sixth graders and the registration for this camp is quite encouraging for such a new venture.

Members of the Senior Fellowship who were elected as officers for the coming year will attend the Officers Training School for Youth officers in the entire New England Conference. Mr. Harding, pastor of the local Methodist Church, is serving as dean of the Officers Training School this year.

Also a number of young people from the Intermediate Department have also registered. It has been announced that the Intermediate camp registration will be closed by the end of this week due to the exceptionally large group of young people in this age bracket registering.

HEALTH FOR ALL

Elementary, my dear Watson

In the 1890's, when the German scientist Robert Koch developed tuberculin, one of the distinguished foreigners who visited him to discuss his discovery was an English physician named Arthur Conan Doyle. Yes—it was the creator of our old friend, Sherlock Holmes.

The famous writer of detective stories was enthusiastic about this new substance which could detect tuberculosis germs in the human body. In a magazine article, he called it "a very important addition to the art of medicine."

Koch discovered that if he injected an extract of TB germs—tubercule bacilli—into the skin of animals, those who had been infected with the germs would soon develop raised red spots where the injection had been made. Others, who had not been exposed to tuberculosis, had no reaction.

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To the doctor a tuberculin reaction is a clue, just as a foot print was to Sherlock Holmes. Then the doctor can take precautions to see that the germs do no further damage. And he can track down the culprit, tuberculosis, by examining the friends and associates of the reactor, to see whether one of them may be spreading TB germs without even realizing that he has the disease.

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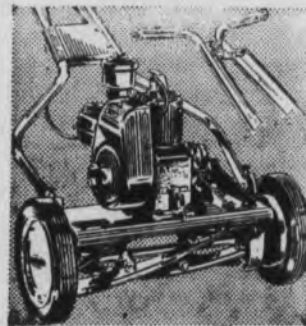
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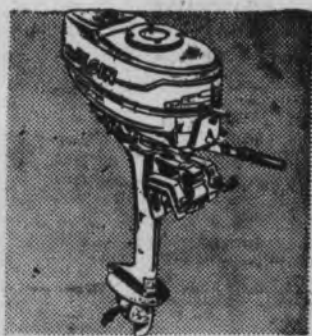
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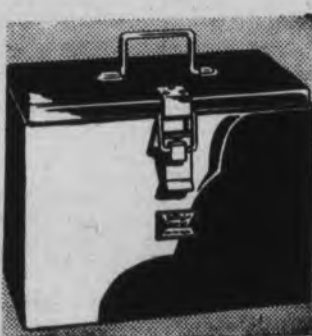


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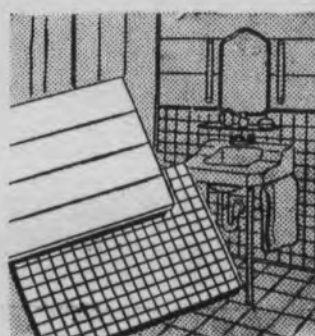
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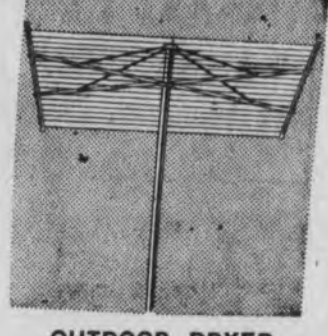
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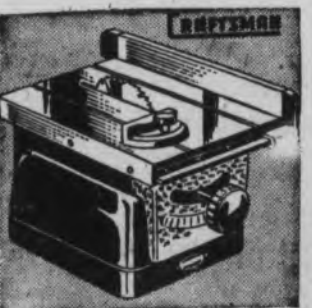
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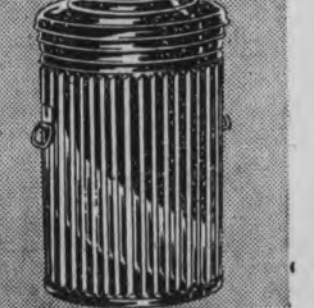
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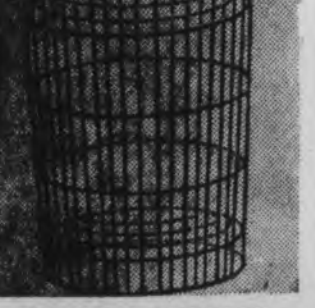
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FOOD SALE IN SQUARE SATURDAY
There is to be a food sale, in Wilmington square, in the area adjacent to the Economy store, Saturday morning, from 9 a.m. to noon. The food sale will be conducted by some young ladies who are running it for the benefit of the Wilmington Ramblers.

SKATING CLUB PARTY ON FRIDAY
The annual party of the Wilmington Skating Club will be held Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Skating Clubhouse, on Chestnut street. Movies will be shown of the Wilmington Club, including the North American champions, and refreshments are to be served. Proceeds are for the benefit of the club, and the public is invited.

C.D.A. INSTALL OFFICERS
Court St. Thomas of Villanova held their last meeting of the season Monday evening in Villanova hall with Grand Regent Margaret Woods presiding. The coming chicken barbecue to be held on June 26 on parish grounds was discussed. Tickets are available from Dorothy Provanzano, Mae Welling, and many others on the committee. Tickets must be ordered early in order to give the committee a chance to order quantity properly.
There will also be a mystery ride to be held in July. Eleanor Grimes who is chairman of mystery ride requests all interested to contact her as soon as possible, as reservations must be made well ahead of time.
After a short business meeting, the installation of newly elected officers was conducted by district deputy Mrs. Pauline O'Connor and assisting monitor Mrs. Grace Dobson. The following persons

were installed: Grand Regent, Margaret Woods; vice-regent, Irene Rogers; prophetess, Mary Hartnett; financial secretary, Betty Blaisdell; Historian, Mollie Frazier; proxy, Kathryn Good; Treasurer, Mary Wood; monitor, Estell Shelly; sentinel Doris Hagerty; lecturer, Evelyn Doucette; organist, Unis Wilson; trustees, Jean Amaro and May Quandt.
Following installation Grand-Regent Margaret Woods asked retiring Grand-Regent May Quandt to take charge of the rest of the evening. Guests present included the chaplain, Rev. Albert Shea, Rev. Croke, new pastor at St. Thomas, Rev. Leahy, pastor of new Silver Lake parish, St. Dorothy, Rev. John Regan, Miss Anna Moran state regent elect, several district deputies and past grand regent and visitors from Court Santa Maria, Winchester; Court Isabella, Woburn; Court Reading, Court Cardinal O'Connell, Lowell; Court St. Clements Medford; Court Maplewood, Court Malden, Court St. Theresa, Methuen; Mount Immaculate Conception, Dorchester and Court Loretta.
Mary Jane Harrington accompanied by her mother at the piano sang two beautiful songs.
After introducing the two new pastors Rev. Croke and Rev. Leahy, the chairman presented them each with a set for their respective building funds, expressing at that time the best wishes of all for their happiness here in Wilmington. Each spoke briefly and told of their impression of this quiet, yet active town, which they do enjoy and asked for continued co-operation, of which they were assured.
On behalf of the court, Rev. Albert Shea was presented a gift as a token of appreciation and affection by the many kindness he has bestowed on all.
The choral group from Lowell, entertained the rest of the evening with solos, dancing and community singing, which proved to be a great deal of fun.
Bouquets were presented to both the grand-regent, Margaret Wood

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and the retiring grand-regent May Quandt. Mrs. Quandt expressed her sincerest gratitude both for the gifts, presented to her, and for all the wonderful co-operation and very many kindnesses shown her throughout this past year. She congratulated the new officers and wishes them every success in the coming year.
Delicious refreshments were then served by Dee Enos and her committee to round out a perfect evening.

THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

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Barrows refused to predict how the Finance Committee would react to the proposal that another

\$500 be allocated for this.

Zoning Articles

Referring to the proposed definitions of a "trailer park", which is to be voted on at the special town meeting, TM Courtney told the board that Town Counsel Buzzell was dubious as to the value of the definitions. Under the law, according to Buzzell, trailers are already prohibited, Courtney said, but he thought that an additional definition might be of value, in enforcing the law, for the Building Inspector.

Pine

Barrows objected to the phase which would eliminate pine from use in buildings. He said that it had been used for years, and referred to the sills of his own home, 250 years old, still in good condition, and to his barn, built in 1852, with a pine frame, still in good condition. Barrows pointed out that extra sizes were always used in such cases, for instance a piece of pine 2 1/2 inches by six inches being used instead of a piece of fir or spruce of 2 by 6 size.

Bliss, a civil engineer, agreed that there are places where pine can be used, and that pine resists deterioration better than other lumber. He suggested that the phrase be so worded that pine not be used for places with a horizontal stress, — that it not be used where there was a "strain" involved.

Barrows also pointed out that the way it was written, the restrictions on pine were only for dwellings, not for garages or barns.

Lot sizes

Lawler, chairman of the board, asked for comments on the proposed sizes of lots being 150 feet by 150 feet. Mrs. Drew registered a protest on this point, the only one to really do so, although others talked of various phases. Courtney pointed out that an increase was desirable, for sanitary reasons, and to prevent overcrowding. He characterized this move as being a step in the direction of a general revision of the zoning map, a step for which both he and the

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THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

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Planning Board were hoping, and pointed out that there are towns which have varying sizes, 10,000 feet to 30 or 40 thousand feet, depending on the type of soil, character of the neighborhood, and use to which the land is intended. He hoped that in 1955 he would be able to have a serious study of this problem in Wilmington.

Mrs. Drew didn't think that there would be any opposition to increasing the lots to 100 by 150 in size.

In discussing present lots of about 10,000 feet, the board agreed that the way the law is written these can be used for building purposes, by the present or future owners. As an example, Black pointed to the lot adjoining his home, and wanted to know if he could build on it. (It is in excess of 10,000 feet), and if he sold it to someone else could they build on it, and in both cases the selectmen agreed that they understood this could be done.

House sizes

In a discussion about the proposed minimum of house sizes, so that a single floor would have to be 1200 feet in area, or a two story home would have at least 1800 feet, it was agreed that the cellar was not to be included in this measurement of floor space.

Courtney told the board that he had been talking with a number of builders, both in and out of Wilmington, and that they seemed to agree that 1200 feet was not unreasonable. Black pointed out that in "story and a half" homes it might be difficult to make a total of 18 feet, and it was agreed to change the 1800 to 1400. Then Black pointed out that if a man wanted to build a home with 700 feet on each of two floors, he could do so, by this interpretation, and to which there was no apparent dissent.

Prefabricated homes

Mrs. Drew reported that she had stopped and seen some prefabricated homes, in Northbridge, on Saturday, homes of the same type that it had been proposed to build on Concord street. She characterized the homes that she saw as being "excellent".

Town Manager's Report

Dr. Harmon to Board of Health
Courtney announced to the Selectmen "with particular pleasure" that Dr. Galus Harmon had consented to accept appointment to the Board of Health.

Dr. Harmon, the first chairman of the Board of Health, had been forced to resign, some time ago, because of ill health, and has since recovered to the point where he could again accept an appointment.

Dr. Harmon has had a distinguished career in Public Health. He taught the subject for twenty years, in Western Reserve University, in Cleveland, and later was Epidemiologist to the Chicago Board of Health, and at the same time lectured to the University of Chicago. Later he served as Director of Statistical Studies for the Department of Health, in Chicago, and taught at Wayne University. After retirement he returned to Wilmington, the town in which he was born.

Tax Rate

In discussing the tax rate, which Courtney hopes he can announce this week, the TM stated that he hopes that he can have a stabilization of the tax rate. He also touched briefly on the Betterment Act, saying that the time had come for serious study in Wilmington, in which statement both Mrs. Drew and Bliss were in agreement.

Courtney told the selectmen that he hoped this fall to begin a study of an outlay program, to cover the next four to six years, a study which he intends to have in some detail.

Lawler told the board that he had been working out the average tax rate of the town, for the last few years, and had found it to be \$51.

Sidelinker Case

Courtney reported that he had visited the Sidelinker kennels, and had had a friendly and courteous conversation with Sidelinker, about the dogs. Sidelinker had been told, Courtney said, that the kennels were in violation of the law, that he could confer with his attorney if he wished, but that very soon there would be action on the part of the town. If Sidelinker did not take action first, he told Sidelinker that until such time as it was turned over to the Town Council he, Sidelinker could talk with Courtney, but that once it was in Buzzell's hands Courtney would not interfere. Courtney reported that Sidelinker had a considerable investment in his dogs, and that had been trying to find a place to keep them, where he would also be able to sell them. Courtney further reported that he would see

Town Counsel Buzzell sometime this week to start action, and that he is going to proceed as quickly as possible.

Fire Station

Courtney reported that the Town Counsel and the attorney for Olson, owner of land in back of the fire station are now discussing points about the settlement of the sale of land to the town. In connection with this, Courtney said, he expected very soon (within the month) to begin work on Olson road, accepted by the Town a year ago in Town Meeting.

Cook Avenue

Courtney reported the Superintendent of Highways as estimating the cost of work on refinishing Cook avenue as \$3000. As such it will have to be considered for inclusion in the 1954 budget.

Eames Street

A drainage condition on Eames street, before reported by the selectmen is being checked by the Superintendent of Highways. A report will be forthcoming, Courtney stated.

Garden Avenue

The Highway Department will supply sufficient fill for Garden Avenue to alleviate a drainage condition there, Courtney reported. However, he stated, the town will do none of the spreading of the gravel, and this will be up to the inhabitants, since the street is unaccept.

Salem Street

Work on Salem street is nearing completion, and the road will be "sealed" within a week, Courtney reported. A fence will be erected to provide protection in the area around the culvert. The sluiceway of the abandoned railroad bed will be completely cleared, and the forms within the culvert will be removed in about a week.

Glendale Circle

Glendale circle will be scraped and shaped, and such additional catchbasins and drainage pipe as may be required will be completed within two weeks.

Town Dump

Debris at the Town Dump will be "pushed over" and compacted as soon as possible, by the Highway Department, Courtney reported. The suggestion that shrubs be planted there is under consideration. The cement block building, for the caretaker, will be built during the course of the summer.

Other Streets

Shady Lane Drive, Glendale Circle, Adams Street Extension, Roman Way, and Cross street will be prepared for surface treatment during the next week, and street signs and slow signs will be installed as soon as possible where needed, by the Highway department.

Wildwood Street

Courtney reported the Superintendent of Highways as saying that there is no money available for sidewalks on Wildwood street.

Curfew

The curfew whistle is now being sounded every night, at 9 p.m., by the Fire Department.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION BIDS FAIR TO REPEAT "MIRACLE OF WORCESTER"

By Larz Neilson
Wilmington Delegate

The 1954 State Republican Convention at Worcester, held last week-end bids fair to repeat the "Miracle of Worcester" of 1952 in which convention the will of the people, freely expressed, led the election of state officials who served well, and all the people instead of just one class.

The 1954 Republican Convention was also an expression of the will of the people. This was apparent from the beginning to the end, and in the vote of the various towns, wards and precincts, for the candidates. The individual voters expressed their thoughts, and rejected any attempts at Party "Bossism."

Our Wilmington delegation split several times during the convention, as the delegates expressed their thoughts freely by their ballot. It was not surprising that this happened, indeed it would be surprising if there had been unanimity.

The highlights of the Convention as seen in this delegates eyes, were four. Three of these were on an emotional as well as a political level, while the fourth was probably more political than emotional.

In the first class, emotional and political, the highlights were: (1) The speech of Sumner Whittier, (2) the nomination of Governor Herter and (3) the reception of Leverett Saltonstall, the grand old man of Massachusetts. The fourth highlight, of course, was the nomination of

Gus Means for Treasurer.

Sumner Whittier, Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts, and candidate for re-election as a result of endorsement by the Convention, spoke for 15 minutes—an emotionally charged seat and went up into the gallery, in order to hear him better. Anyone who has never heard the gentleman speak has missed a part of his life. Whittier really "poured it on" and served notice to the Democratic candidate for Lt. Governor that he would have to get up very, very early in the morning, and stay up very late every night, every day of the week, if he intended to beat Sumner Whittier.

Whittier heaped coals on the head of the past Democratic Governor, and praised Governor Herter's administration. He pointed out the increased efficiency, the reduction in spending, the better services, and ended up this phase of his speech with a reference to the infamous "Pardon the Inconvenience" signs which we used to see when he said "Governor Herter has built more roads in the past two years than was built in the six years previous to that—he has built roads, not painted signs." This brought the delegates to their feet, roaring approval.

The nomination of Governor Herter was on a different emotional level from that of the Lt. Governor. The delegates love Whittier. Because of this, and the pleadings of Whittier two years ago, Herter was nominated for Governor. This time the delegates wanted Herter for himself. They felt that perhaps they owed him a slight apology for the fight of two years ago, seeing that Herter has given a fine, clean administration, the best in years, in Massachusetts. The consequence was that Herter's reception was on a peculiar emotional plane—Herter, a man who has learned not to be ramrod stiff, abashedly received his well earned plaudits from a crowd of delegates who two years ago wanted to doubt him.

The third emotional plane was with Leverett Saltonstall, the Grand Old Man of Massachusetts—the only man to be elected Governor three times. Here the delegates had their truly emotional center of the convention. Saltonstall looked thinner, to people who had been with him before, but his homely face was still the idol of the convention.

Politically, the high point was the nomination of Gus Means, of Essex, for Treasurer. The writer has known Gus for several years, and after the convention is over, it is with satisfaction that I consider him to be the strongest candidate for Treasurer that the Republicans have had in years. Means is a personable individual, an ex-infantry sergeant who won the Distinguished Service Cross at the Battle of the Bulge, and later became Massachusetts youngest legislator. He is deservedly popular, and certainly won the convention's nomination by his popularity.

Of course, the convention began at 10 a.m. Saturday, but to nearly all the delegates it began the day before in the Hotel Sheraton, in Worcester. Held the various candidates had their headquarters, and here the delegates congregated, renewing old acquaintances, and making new ones. It was a mixture of business and pleasure.

I, like many other delegates, roamed around, looking for information and friends. I would stop in, here and there, and some enthusiastic person would load down my coat with buttons, pledging me to vote one way or another. Then I would leave, take off the buttons, and stop at the next place where another load of buttons would be placed on my coat.

I believe it was while I was visiting with O'Donoghue that I got into my most interesting discussion—one in which I was unable to learn all I wanted however. I over heard someone say "Town Manager" and looked over to see Judge Weiner of Brookline. He was talking with the Moderator of Danvers, a Mr. Hughes, to whom I was introduced.

"Danvers, I said to Mr. Hughes, 'That is where someone threw a brick through the Town Manager's window!'"

"No," he said, "It was where we threw the Town Manager

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16 ARTICLES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The Board of Selectmen have approved, for inclusion into the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 28th a total of 16 articles, all of which have been originated by various officers of the town. The warrant was signed Tuesday, for the meeting which will be held in the High School Cafeteria.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

To HARRY J. AINSWORTH, CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON:

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the new High School Cafeteria on Monday, the Twenty-Eighth Day of June next at 8:00 P.M., to consider and act on the following Articles—

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by striking out Section 10A, Section 10B and Section 10C under Area Regulations and substituting therefor the following:

"Section 10A. In residence districts the lot of land for each dwelling shall contain a minimum frontage of 150 feet, a minimum depth of 150 feet, and a minimum lot area of 22,500 square feet. Section 10B. In districts not designated as residence districts the area regulations of 10A shall apply for all dwellings.

Section 10C. These provisions shall not prevent the erection or placing of any residence building on any lot containing less area than 22,500 square feet provided such lot on the effective date of these sections does not adjoin other land of the same owner available for use in connection with such lot."

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by rescinding Section 5, General Residence Districts, and further deleting all references to Section 5 in any other Sections of the Zoning By-Law, and to amend Section 6 by inserting as paragraph 9, Section 6, Business Districts, the following words: Semi-detached and two family dwellings.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by striking out Section 11 (a) and substituting therefor the following: "(a) One-family house: 20 per cent."

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws and Plan by adding to Section 2, entitled "Definitions" the following enumerated sub sections:

TRAILER - A trailer is a structure originally designed as a vehicle to be used in whole or in part for human habitation having no motive power of its own.

TRAILER CAMP - A trailer camp is an area of land in which is located one or more trailers used for human habitation.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Building By-Laws by striking out Section 2 of Division 4 and inserting in place thereof the following:

(Division 4) "Section 2. All buildings hereinafter erected or remodeled to be used as dwellings shall have a minimum floor area, excluding the basement area, of not less than 1200 square feet for a one story dwelling, and a minimum floor area of not less than 1400 square feet for a dwelling of more than one story."

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Building By-Laws by adding the following, enumerated as Section 25, to Division 3: "Section 25. Soft pine shall not be used in the framing of any roof, ceiling or floor in a dwelling."

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Four Thousand and Fifty Dollars (\$4050.00) from the Pick-Up and Disposal of Garbage Account to Available Funds.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$5349.50) from the Account "Receipts from Selectmen's Land Sale" to Available Funds.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting to extend a water main on West Street.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1954 Water Extension Account the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) appropriated for the extension of a water main on West Street to Available Funds.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Eight Hundred Eighty Three Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents (\$883.25) from Available Funds to pay a bill for that amount incurred in 1953 for the extension of a water main.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Five Dollars and Twenty-Four Cents (\$455.24) for the purpose of paying unpaid bills incurred in previous years.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Eleven Hundred and Seven Dollars and Twenty-One Cents (\$1107.21) to the Account "Construction of New Fire-Police Station."

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Three Thousand and Fifty Dollars (\$3050.00) to the Veterans' Benefit Account.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Sixteen Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1650.00) to the Town Hall Expense Account.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from

Available Funds the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Tree Department Salary and Expense Account to provide for additional mosquito control.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) to the "Operation of School Plant" Account.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) from Available Funds for the purpose of purchasing and installing a meter and two hydrants for Fairmeadow Road.

Hereof Fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certified copy thereof with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, as soon as may be and before said meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL OF SAID TOWN THIS
OF JUNE, A. D., ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND FIFTY-FOUR.

HENRY J. LAWLER
CHARLES H. BLACK
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SELECTMEN
OF
WILMINGTON

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

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out of town, and then he went to Portsmouth, Ohio, and got a better job!"

Another incident was when I met the boys from Marlboro. One of them was a member of the Marlboro school committee, and they all knew Cliff Good, Wilmington school superintendent, knew him and liked him, and wanted to know what Wilmington had done that made Cliff want to move to Danvers. Then they had another candidate, to take Cliff's place as superintendent. They whooped him up enthusiastically, and I had to explain several times that I believe in a "hands off" policy, and that I didn't even want to know the names of candidates for such a post.

I had made up my mind that I would support McCarthy, for Secretary of State, and Papalia for Treasurer, long before the convention. In the office of Auditor, I had not made any decision, between Constantino and Watson, of Medford. Opposing McCarthy, for Secretary of State was O'Donoghue, a very personable young man who used to live in Tewksbury. I had made up my mind for McCarthy on a basis of experience, he having been Town Clerk for 21 years, Selectman for 18 and a legislator for 12.

Papalia was my choice for Treasurer. Roy has been in the limelight for some years, as a Selectman of Watertown, and missed the post last election by a mere 3%. Papalia withdrew however, and in favor of Furbush.

In the case of McCarthy vs. O'Donoghue (Secretary of State) I knew who I was going to vote for, and it was McCarthy who won. Both Mrs. Drew and Mrs. Kitchener, the other Wilmington delegates voted for O'Donoghue, and, as I have said, his personality is such that they had every good reason to vote for him.

When it came to the Treasurer's fight I still had not made up my mind, and it was only in the last minute that I did. Even then I had momentary pangs of regret, within the minute of casting my vote.

To get back to Means, this had been a three way contest, with Papalia, of Watertown, Senator Furbush, the State Leader, and Gus Means of Essex in the fight. I was for Papalia, and I made no bones about it. Furbush had the support of all of the upper house, and of Elmer Nelson, of the state committee, while Gus had the support of the lower house, and a tremendous following of younger people. Nelson was supposed to maintain a position of neutrality, but the day before he had spoken up for Furbush to the anger and disgust of the Means crowd. At about the same time Papalia withdrew, in favor of Furbush.

When Nelson opened the convention he was booed, by about 60% of the delegates present. I immediately sensed that this was going to mean a victory for Means, but I still didn't make up my mind—I wanted to wait and see what would happen.

The Seventh Middlesex District elected my very good friend Allan Adams of Lexington to be its chairman—in fact I seconded his nomination. Adams is the publisher of the Lexington Minute Man, and is running for County Commissioner this fall. It thus became his duty to count the votes in the Seventh Middlesex district.

The earlier part of the convention, on which I have already touched, saw nominations by acclamation. There was no doubt by the delegates but that we

wanted Herter, Whittier and Fingold—in fact some of the delegates thought that time spent at that phase was time lost, for they wanted to get down to the Furbush - Means fight.

McCarthy was successfully nominated for Secretary of State, and the nominations for Treasurer came up. The crowd was restless.

Papalia nominated Furbush. It was obvious to me why he did it. They both come from the same Senatorial district, and with Furbush out of the way Papalia stood a good chance of running for Senator. Nevertheless, if Papalia wanted Furbush, I felt I would vote for him, and I did—still with a doubt in my mind.

As the vote progressed, district by district, the delegates were keeping count—the first man to have a total of 750 would undoubtedly be the winner. Meanwhile there was a bitter contest, as in several districts delegates arose to contest the vote, which meant an individual roll call of the district. The rest of the delegates always greeted this with a groan, but there were three roll calls demanded.

Finally, as the chairman, Speaker Joe Martin began to call on the Worcester districts it was obvious to everyone that Means had won. Means had over 800 votes, with Furbush somewhere around 600. A Worcester delegate arose to contest the vote of the first district. He was greeted with groans, real loud ones, which changed to cheers as Furbush was seen on the platform. The delegates guessed what Furbush's intentions were, and they were right—Furbush conceded, gentleman that he is, and there was no need of polling the Worcester delegation—in fact the last delegation was never even asked for its vote, as the Convention gave Means its unanimous endorsement, at the request of Furbush.

I didn't have to have any questions to solve in my mind, about the Auditor's race. Watson got up and seconded Constantino, and the race was over. Constantino is a young man and personable Italian-American from Clinton.

I have mentioned that we had a split over Secretary of State. We also had one over the Treasurer, and this time Mrs. Drew and Mrs. Kitchener were the ones who were in more accord with the rest of the delegates. They supported Means.

I have also mentioned that it wasn't only our delegation that was split. The Seventh Middlesex was split wide open—34 votes for Means, 16 for Furbush, (and one absent—looking for some lunch I guess). The Billerica delegates, all of whom I knew, were just as much split as we were, and in the same proportions. Alden Rollins and Mrs. Piper of Nashua road, Billerica voted for O'Donoghue, while Mrs. Achsah Simonds voted for McCarthy, in the Secretary of State race, and in the Treasurer race Rollins voted for Furbush, while Mrs. Simonds and Mrs. Piper voted for Means.

But it was a Convention well worth attending—one that knew what it wanted—in which the delegates split freely over issues, and then united ranks again when the issue was settled.

The Republicans started in 1952 with their pre-primary convention, which led to the election of Herter, Whittier and Fingold to state office. The Democrats derided the efforts of the Republican party, to get down to grass roots, in 1952. Significantly, in 1954 they did the same thing, or at least they tried to.

We were a grass roots conven-

tion, that is certain. When a big shot tried to interfere, and make himself a party boss, he was promptly put in his place. The State Republican Convention has succeeded in placing a well balanced ticket for the 1954 elections, one which has been approved in all parts of the state, and by all types of people throughout the state. I feel that we will repeat the 1952 Miracle of Worcester, again in 1954.

AIR FORCE TO FORM
"THE MERRIMACK VALLEY
FLIGHT"

M/Sgt. Erle T. MacDonald, Commander of the U.S. Air Forces' Merrimack Valley Recruiting Station located in room 203, 89 Appleton street, Lowell, announced today authority has been received from Hq. USAF to form "The Merrimack Valley Flight." This group, the first of its kind in the Air Force will be recruited from Lowell and towns within a 20 mile perimeter. Young men who join this unit will remain together during their basic and technical training. Approximately 100 men have indicated they would like to become part. Departure date is scheduled for June 28.

THE END OF THE
CONTINENTAL MARINES

By the spring of 1783 only three ships of the Continental Navy remained in commission. Each had a Marine detachment. After the war the few remaining ships in the Navy were gradually disposed of, and their crews were discharged. The Continental Navy passed into history.

In spite of a considerable effort to retain it for sentimental reasons and to keep the American flag on the seas, the ALLIANCE, the last vessel, was disposed of in 1785. The last remaining Continental Marine officer of whom there is any record, was Lieutenant William Waterman serving on the ALLIANCE in June 1783.

There is practically no record of the Continental Marines serving ashore during the last two years of the war. The number at sea declined as the number of ships grew less. Finally, with the passing of the Continental Navy, the Continental Marines were discontinued.

The last mention of a Continental Marine is that of Private Robert Stout, also serving on the ALLIANCE on April 26, 1784. It is probable that some time after this, but prior to the disposal of the ALLIANCE, the Continental Marines passed out of existence. They were not forgotten, however, for as soon as the struggling nation again saw the necessity of having a Navy, an organization of Marines was again created which has existed since then as the United States Marine Corps.



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